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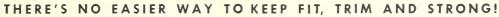
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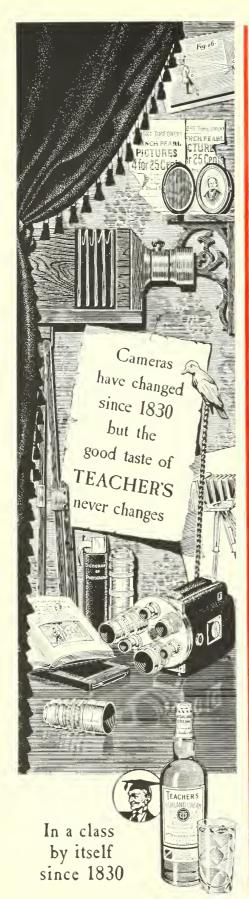
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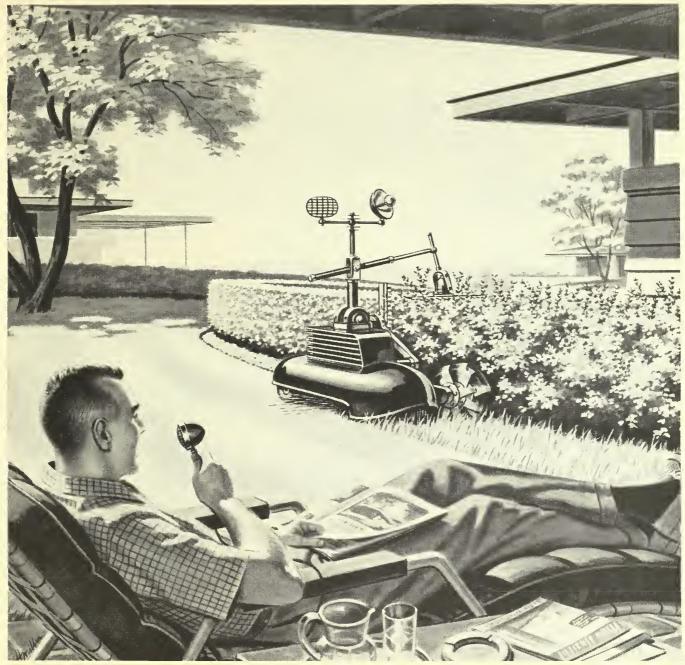
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## GOING FOR BROKE

Some kind of recession seems to have Caught up with Robert M. Hutchins. The \$15,000,000 he got from the Ford Foundation to run his Fund for the Republic has now dwindled to a mere pocketful of change — approximately \$4,000,000 — and by 1961 the Doc figures it will be all gone.

Then, presumably, he's going to have to find a job somewhere, but we're sure he has something in mind. He gave a clue not long ago when he appeared as guest star on a Mike Wallace TV show which was bought and paid for by his own Fund for the Republic. Sadly he proclaimed that Americans are living an illusory existence, and he indicated that the only way out was profound study by experts. While he didn't say so, we can only assume that he thinks we need some more wisdom by the pedants who always turn up riding Hutchins' gravy trains.

Doc Hutchins also expressed the opinion that it is no trick at all for a moron to be successful in America.

We won't comment on that, but we'd like to know who is going to give Hutchins his next \$15,000,000.

## AVAILABLE FOR EXPORT

W E THINK CANADIANS are wonderful people, but what did we ever do to them to cause them to send Cyrus K. Eaton to this country? Eaton is the ex-Nova Scotian who, although he has amassed millions in the United States, is a highly vocal critic of this country. One such outburst from the aged tycoon came on a TV show paid for, naturally, by the malodorous Fund for the Republic. On that occasion Eaton blasted the FBI and other agencies which hamper the activities of the red brethren in our midst.

Earlier, old Cyrus had organized a private global conference of atomic scientists, which met on Canadian soil. For his "efforts" he received the personal congratulations of no less a figure than the Big Boss, Nikita Khrushchev himself.

Congressman Gordon H. Scherer, of the House Un-American Activities Committee, discussed Eaton's "services" pointedly by quoting Georgi Dimitrov, one of the top strategists in the communist high command. Said Dimitrov: "We must always remember that one sympathizer is worth more than a dozen militant Communists. A university professor, who without being a party member lends himself to the interests of the Soviet Union, the writer, who without being a party member defends the Soviet Union, the union leader who is outside our ranks but defends Soviet international policy, is worth more than a thousand party members."

## FOOTNOTE TO OUR COVER

In A corner of the fascinating Museum at the U.S. Naval Academy you will find the diorama pictured on our cover. The central figure is John Paul Jones and the setting is the deck of the Bon Homme Richard as she fought the British Serapis. Every schoolboy knows the famous fighting slogan uttered by the intrepid captain on that occasion. Called on to strike his colors, he replied: "I have not yet begun to fight."

Now, in honor of the men of the Navy and the Marine Corps who have served and fought in this great tradition, a Memorial Stadium is being built at Annapolis. Shown herewith is a model of it, scheduled to be ready for use by next fall. It will cost \$3,100,000, and contributions of any amount will be gratefully accepted. Address: Memorial Stadium, Annapolis, Maryland.



Left to right: Capt. Eugene E. Fluckey, USN; Rear Adm, W. R. Smedberg, 111, USN; Capt. Slade Cutter, USN.

### THE RIGHT APPROACH

Over a long period of time this magazine has urged that students in our schools be taught the facts about communism. Now and then we hear of work being done along this line, and one approach is being made by a Lowell, Massachusetts, Legionnaire who teaches English at the Lowell High School.

The teacher is William J. Brown, and because of his efforts 2,500 students are now learning about communism and the threat it poses to our way of life. Mr. Brown obtained quantities of reports exposing communism issued by the House Un-American Activities Committee. Certain key booklets were distributed to all the students, and other reports were "digested" by Mr. Brown and incorporated into the school's English courses.

Helping in the effort are 22 other teachers, but Mr. Brown is the key figure. A veteran of both World Wars, he learned something about communism at first hand when he was in Poland in 1946. There he saw the Russians herding people into boxcars for trips that, presumably, ended in slave labor camps.



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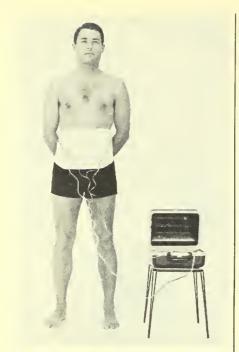
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## WONDERMENT

Sir: I wonder why America seems to owc so much to so many when so few have actually served her at a sacrifice. I wonder how America can continue to wet-nurse the world when our debt is greater than all others combined. I wonder how 6 percent of the world (Uncle Sam) can support 94 percent. I wonder if we grew strong doing this. I wonder why we should not substitute a dairy cow for the American eagle - since so many are milking her or US. I wonder why we are to spend three or four thousand millions of dollars aiding the world this year, while we deny admittance to some 27,000 (more than half of whom are mental cases) veterans to our shrinking veterans hospitals. I wonder how long America can continue to recruit defenders among her young men with such practices. I wonder how long before she will be forced to adopt the Old World plan of hired mercenaries. I wonder if, excluding the young who are not responsible, America will continue to be worth dying for. And finally, I wonder how America reached this low estate.

J. B. Moore
Hamilton, Mo.

#### CULTURAL EXCHANGE

Sir: In the past few months there have appeared in America some Russian dance groups as part of the cultural exchange program of the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. The best known groups are the Bolshoi ballet troupe and a dance group under the direction of Moiseyev. The former is world renowned; the latter is probably the best such group on earth. Tickets for these performances run about three dollars, and many people pay much more. The Russian Government has made millions on these enterprises. Since Russia is socialistic, the money goes directly to the government, I am not against culture or the arts. I certainly have nothing against these excellent dancers. But as long as they are performing and working for the glory of a communistic government, I shall never attend such performances. The profits, I fear, are helping to sustain occupation troops in Hungary; to build a machinegun to arm a guard watching American prisoners; to help pay for a propaganda campaign that will entice an unsuspecting Indian into the communist camp; or, worst of all, to help finance the building of an atomic bomb that someday may send three million of my neighbors in this city to meet their Maker.

Joe Hughes Los Angeles

### THE ANSWER IS NO

Sir: Has The American Legion dropped the fight against our communist enemies in the U.S.A.? There is no article exposing them in the July issue, and there has not been one of any importance for several months.

Julian E. Williams

Julian E. Williams Tulsa, Okla.

#### FORGOTTEN LEGION

Sir: The "dirty deal" of all dirty deals is that of the W.A.A.C., "the forgotten legion," women who served as I did for one year from August 1942 to August 1943. Broken pieces of wreckage cast aside by our Country as of no account. What benefits do we get? Burial in a national cometery if requested? I've seen Air Corps guys with six months' service get the GI 52-20, the GI education benefits, GI housing benefits, etc., and damned if they worked as hard as I did and ruined their health as I did; not to mention being kicked in the teeth the way we first W.A.A.C.'s werc. Justice, hell! Hypocrite's the word! I say we've got a lot of making up to do to right some of the wrongs or else we pay with the complete destruction of this country. Take a look at history, every nation (including the American Indians) who have mistreated their women have ended up in the ash pile.

Mary Rusk James San Francisco, Calif.

#### ANSWERS SENATOR

Sir: In The American Legion Magazine of July under the title, "Should Congress Slash Spending for Foreign Aid?" Senator John F. Kennedy said in part: "... Moreover, other nations, disenchanted by Western methods of economic development and attracted by the new Soviet economic offensive in trade and aid, will accept the Russian model of economic modernization and fall into the Soviet sphere as China did after World War II." Apparently Senator Kennedy would like to have the American people forget that the Roosevelt Administration pushed China into the Soviet sphere with a loud bang which "was heard round the world" and contrary to the advice and pleadings by General Chiang Kai-shek and the free Chinesc people. The United States Government, at taxpayers' expense, has given handouts of about \$300,000,000 to President Sukarno of Indonesia. On a visit to Red China, Sukarno told the red rulers: "Your struggle... is our struggle." Any more proof needed?

F. B. Trisko St. Paul, Minn.

# **EXPLAINS DEFERMENT**

Sir: You published in your June issue a letter from William Kopf which erroneously states that Walter P. Reuther, UAW president, asked for and was granted a "dependency" deferment because "Mr. Reuther said his wife was employed as a private secretary (by him) and if he were to be inducted his wife would lose her job.' Mr. Reuther never asked for any kind of a deferment, occupational or dependency. Both Mr. R. J. Thomas, then UAW president, and Mr. Philip Murray, then ClO president, asked for his deferment on occupational grounds. Neither did Mr. Reuther ever say to the draft board that his wife would lose her position and would therefore become a dependent. Mrs. Reuther, during most of the time that she worked as Mr. Reuther's secretary, received no salary. In the short period of time that she did, which was only to conform to the collective bargaining contract between the office workers union and the UAW, she paid the entire amount, the maximum of which was \$25 a week, into the union's welfare fund, so that it would not have been necessary for her to resign for the purpose of making herself a dependent if Mr. Reuther had been seeking a dependency deferment.

> Frank Winn Director of Public Relations International Union, UAW Detroit

#### LOST

Sir: I support Senator Jenner's position on foreign aid. In fact I would go far beyond it. Surely no one can justify the billions spent abroad. We have been suckers in our spending. An unbiased opinion, I am certain, would say our spending has been unconstitutional. We have lost (1) The twoparty system in our country. No one can tell the difference between our major political parties today; (2) Our patriotism. We are Democrats or Republicans first; (3) Our national dignity. Our civilians and service people are captured and enslaved. Our aircraft have been shot out of the skies. Our ships have been sunk. Our Vice President insulted and spat upon. Where is the voice of The American Legion? The voice that cried to high heaven against the recognition of Russia. The Legion that voiced its displeasure at the weakness of the government in Washington that has practically sold our American birthright.

C. E. Ziegenfuss Pittsburgh, Pa.

#### MONEY'S WORTH

Sir: So Mr. Jim H. Skinner, writing in your July issue, thinks the companies don't get their money's worth out of rail crews? We used to run one engine 12½ n.p.h. pulling one-fourth the train of today. Now we run four engines over four times as fast pulling four times as much. Naturally there are only about one-fourth as many of us employed now as then.

Name Withheld Pueblo, Colo.

#### GIVEN CREDIT

Sir: We rate your magazine 4.0 for the excellent article "Credit For Everybody" in the July issue. The days when we whispered about the personal use of credit disappeared with horse cars. Modern credit is available in surprising amounts from many, many sources. We feel your article helped us to learn the facts. High-raters, like those mentioned in the Personal Affairs Column in the same issue, prey on the unwary. Nobody is going to protect us except reputable lending institutions and our own ability to discriminate. We have got to learn how to obtain personal credit with the same meticulous care and consideration we use when we buy a car or a house.

William C. Bryson Kew Gardens, N.Y.

#### BIG BASEBALL

Sir: Since the incursion of big business into baseball, my interest in that sport has waned considerably. It is this aspect of the "sport" which, no doubt, is responsible for the public's attitude reflected in poor attendance and the reason that those with vested interests are looking for greener pastures. I believe that we, the American public, have been sold a bill of goods that we didn't want as concerns baseball and now we are stuck with that bill of goods. The inculcation of baseball on Americans was shrewdly devised, most certainly, with the long-range point of view of getting as much out of the public as could be gotten.

Edward J. Scrobe Bronx, N.Y.

#### NO LOAN MAKERS

Sir: I agree with Ben Boyer whose letter appeared in the July issue. When we were fighting to protect our country, we were all O.K. People couldn't do enough for us. Now it is 1958. Twice now I've asked banks for a GI loan for my home, and I got the same answer Ben Boyer got: "Why should we give you a loan at 4½ percent when we can get 5, 6, even 7 percent interest?" Ask any veteran.

Name Withheld Sioux City, Iowa

#### TOOK ACTION

Sir: In the June issue of The American Legion Magazine there appeared in "Sound Off" a letter written by Comrade Doerschlag of Dighton, Kans., asking for a million letters to the President. I myself have written to the President many times concerning our comrades still being held in communist prisons since the so-called Korean Police Action, I have also written to the Senators and Congressmen from Pennsylvania and other States asking them to lend their support in this cause. I went a step further and I presented a resolution to our Post, asking the President to demand the release of those boys still being held prisoners of Communist China. The resolution was readily adopted and forwarded to the President. In addition, we sent copies of same to our two Senators and one Congressman, I then presented a similar resolution to the 12th District which they too adopted. Lalso contacted the 11th District which is in the Scranton, Pa., area asking them to do likewise. They too adopted such a resolution. So did the V.F.W., the Catholic War Veterans, the Jewish War Veterans, etc. I hope that other Posts and Districts throughout the Nation will adopt similar resolutions.

James J. Walsh Kingston, Pa.

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What has this to do with humans?

That's something doctors have been delving into for the past 15 years, and in experiments at some 40 major research centers including the Pasteur Institute, University of Minnesota, Louisiana State University, Canada's famed Banting Insulin Institute, and others, they have found that Royal Jelly produces remarkable results. For instance, Drosophila fruit flies (the famous experimental animals used by biologists) when fed Royal Jelly, lived 60% longer than their normal life span.

Then LOOK MAGAZINE asked. "Does the bee hold the key to longer, better human lives?" And in four pages they pro-

duced evidence that it may.

Manufacturers of women's cosmetics began incorporating Royal Jelly into skin creams and found it brightened the skin, made sagging skin stand firm and generally imparted a youthful appearance to a lady's face. Page advertisements appeared in such magazines as the NEW YORKER, and even HARPER'S BAZAAR. (October, 1957) approvingly took note of this new development saying, "... doctors, scientists, and research-minded cosmeticians are increasingly infatuated with Queen Bees and their amazing food. Royal Jelly, because this powerful natural concentrate makes Queen Bees infinitely handsomer, long-lived, more seductive than other bees."

HARPER'S BAZAAR calls Royal Jelly a "powerful natural concentrate." And they are right, for it is a natural vitamin, and the most concentrated sources of pantothenic acid, one of the great B-complex vitamins and the one associated with prolongation of

life.

What is all this leading up to? Simply this. Humans have been using Royal Jelly, too. The world was gratified when His Holiness, Pope Pius XII, recovered from his recent serious illness. His personal physician, Dr. Ricardo Galleazzi-Lisi, announced that his was in large measure due to his taking Royal Jelly. Then in March, 1957, the 80-year old President of Chile said that it was the Royal Jelly he was taking that made it possible for him to carry out his executive duties, exhausting cabinet officials half his age.

One final thing: when Royal Jelly was first introduced, it cost (as the NEW YORK TIMES noted) several thousand dollars a pound, and was the millionaire's vitamin. This is no longer so—and as a result, a month's supply of Royal Jelly Capsules is now only \$4.95 postpaid and is available

directly from us.

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1306-AL Lincoln Bldg., 60 East 42nd St., N. Y. 17

# FOREWORDS

A SHORT CUT TO FOUR SPECIAL-INTEREST FEATURES.

# **Your Personal Affairs**

Information that can help you with everyday problems.

If your youngster can't join today's big rush for college, don't feel that he is doomed economically. True, a good formal education is a mighty asset. But ambition — even without a sheepskin — still pays off.

Here are two fertile areas for willing non-college candidates:

MEN: Skilled and semiskilled workers — tool and die makers, laboratory technicians, draftsmen, etc. — have a bright future. While a college degree isn't usually necessary for these well-paying jobs, you should have a high school diploma with a good basic understanding of science and mathematics. Home study, on-the-job training, and the educational facilities provided by such companies as GE, Westinghouse, RCA, Chrysler, etc., provide additional (Continued on page 43)

# **Rod & Gun Club**

For the man with an interest in the great outdoors.

By the time you read this, an estimated 400,000,000 game fish will have been hauled from America's waters this year, enough to supply every man, woman and child with  $2\frac{1}{2}$  fish. Worked out on the basis that 40,000,000 men, women, and children over 12 will bring in an average of 10 fish apiece, it all adds up to the fact that not only is fishing still the biggest and most popular sport we have, but it is adding thousands of new converts every day. Quite a fraternity you belong to, fellows.

Angelo Balbinet, 255 Lincoln St., Coal City, Ill., is a fisherman who believes in keeping his hooks bright and sharp. "To prevent salt water hooks and lures from rusting after use," he says, (Continued on page 26)

# **Products Parade**

New ideas which mean better living.

In this issue, on page 22, you will find an article entitled "The Most Versatile Power Tool." It tells of the many things that can be done with a quarter-inch drill by the use of accessories. However, so many new accessories are constantly being developed for use with this wonderful tool that it is difficult to keep up with them. This month, for example, there are two new ones. One is a Paint Brush Cleaning Tool, introduced by Chemtor Products, 32805 Northwestern Hwy., Franklin, Mich., and selling for \$5.95 postpaid. This accessory grips the brush firmly and, after the bristles have been briefly immersed in solvent, it creates a smooth and steady spin which gets rid of the paint. During the operation, the brush (Continued on page 54)

# **Briefly About Books**

Reading matter that may interest you.

The Ordeal of the Captive Nations, by Hawthorne Daniel. DOUBLEDAY, \$4.50. A study of the ten Soviet-dominated nations from Estonia south to Yugoslavia which may provide the key to the future of the world.

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Baa Baa Black Sheep, by "Pappy" Boyington. G. P. PUTNAM'S SONS, \$4.50. The famous Marine Corps major, an unconventional hero of World War II, talks about his Black Sheep Squadron and a number of other things.

Philippine Freedom 1946-1958, by Robert Aura Smith. COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY PRESS, \$5.00. A contributor to this magazine tells what has happened in the Philippines since 1898, with particular emphasis on the years since World War II. (Continued on page 52)

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# HELP US KEEP THE THINGS WORTH KEEPING

It's always so good to have Dad home!

Home—the place he works hard to keep safe and secure. In a free and peaceful world he can always be there to take care of his family. But peace costs money.

Money for strength to keep the peace. Money for science and education to help make peace lasting. And money saved by individuals.

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The chart below shows how the Bonds you buy will earn money for you. But the most important thing they earn is *peace*. They help us keep the things worth keeping.

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	each week, save	\$4.75	\$9.50	\$18.75

This shows only a few examples. You can save any sum, buying Bonds by Payroll Savings or where you bank. Start your program now!



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# HELP STRENGTHEN AMERICA'S PEACE POWER BUY U. S. SAVINGS BONDS



# It's on the record:

The longest swim was made down the Mississippi River from St. Louis to Caruthersville, 292 miles, in 89 hours 48 minutes, July 29, 1940.



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# ROI-TAN



# -than any other cigar at its price!

You only get out of a cigar what goes into it. And when it comes to uniform quality, superior workmanship and fine tobaccos, fresh ROI-TAN is unmatched by any other cigar in its field. That's why ROI-TAN smokes smoother and milder—puff after puff, cigar after cigar. Why not try a five-pack today?

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# WASHINGTON PRO&CON

PRESENTING BOTH SIDES OF BIG ISSUES FACING THE NATION

# THIS MONTH'S SUBJECT: Should we try to achieve more unity in the Armed Forces?



**(PRO)** The answer to the question is clearly affirmative.

Resort to the dictionary shows the term "unity" to mean: harmony, absence of diversity, singleness of purpose, unification.

In my opinion, anyone who combines an interest in our national security and

an understanding of the complexity of modern weapons systems must know that we cannot afford to have anything less than unity in our Armed Forces.

This does not mean that we have to combine the Army, Navy, and Air Force into one service and clothe the personnel in identical uniforms. Such action might well give only the appearance, and not the fact, of unity.

Today, however, the Defense Department is a complex melange of groups, with a vast variety of complicated weapons systems, without cohesion, authoritative direction, or even unified planning.

This results in an annual waste of billions of the taxpayers' dollars; and what is even worse, inadequate defense against possible attack, and inability to carry out our foreign commitments effectively.

That may sound like a harsh indictment. Unfortunately it is the truth.

Some members of our Armed Forces, of our Congress, and of our executive branch of the Government, as well as members of organizations outside the Government, continue to support this state of disorganization.

They do this apparently with the thought that each of the services is, in effect, a rival college football team, the primary objective being to beat the other in a traditional encounter, to the cheers of the alumni on the sidelines.

In case they attack us, the possible enemy will have a highly organized team. That much is now clear.

This country, its freedom, and the way of life of its people deserve something better to meet that threat than the archaic, obsolete defense organization for which it is now paying.

The Reorganization Plan proposed by the President will not cure all the ills characteristic of our defense position. But it is a sound move in the right direction.

Stuck agriculton

Stuart Symington (D), United States Senator from Missouri



(CON) The answer is both yes and no, dependent upon what is meant by unity. If by unity in the Armed Forces it is meant that there should be a merger of the respective services — Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force — the answer is no. No one, including the President, advocates this be done.

If it is meant by unity that all of airpower functions should be transferred from the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps and vested exclusively in the Air Force, the answer is still no.

If, on the other hand, by unity it is meant that we should try to achieve a higher degree of coordination in both the combatant and civilian functions of our respective services, the answer is yes. It is possible to have unity without merger. The basic question is how to achieve unity of all functions, combatant and administrative, and at the same time preserve the identity of the respective services.

It has been argued that our system of military organization makes for duplication and waste, Doubtless that is true, but certainly not to the extent so often contended. Perhaps the most efficient military organization in the world would be one so completely unified that a single individual could issue the orders that all must obey.

But that is not our system, and we hope it never will be. Although there may be some question as to the adequacy of our system in some respects, nonetheless we have been able to avoid any form of military dictatorship under it and we have been victorious on all occasions over all our enemies.

There is no doubt our defense establishment can, and should be, streamlined. There is no doubt that adjustments must regularly be made in accordance with rapidly changing conditions, particularly with respect to the development of new weapons. No defense system exists that cannot be improved.

Our objective is to have the maximum coordination and, at the same time, retain civilian control and avoid any form of militarism. It is an objective not easy to achieve. Our differences are largely on how best to attain this goal.

Leslie C. Arends (R)

Member of Congress from 17th District, Illinois

The American Legion endorses the President's Reorganization Plan – Resolution No. 44, National Executive Committee, April-May 1958.



# BRUSSELS

Nobody expected the Americans but there they

were, heroes and the main attraction of the big victory parade.



Drinks and invitations were showered on us.

# By FRED FRITTS

LTHOUGH WARTIME SOLDIERS learn to expect strange situations, it is seldom that they find themselves aeclaimed as heroes by eheering throngs. But that's what happened to Sherm and me in Brussels in November 1918 — and just because we happened to erash a eelebration given for a King.

King Albert I of Belgium had proved himself a valiant monarch and a great eommander when the German Army stormed into his eountry and began the First World War. His little army faeed the advancing German horde long enough to give France and England time to make preparations. When the Allied Nations celebrated their eventual victory, the world paid homage to King Albert. In Brussels elaborate plans were made for his triumphal return to the Belgian throne. A mammoth parade of the Allied armies was held on November 22, 1918, as part of the program. The planners did not intend that Sherm and I were to be the people's chosen heroes on this great day. It just happened to work out that way.

I drove an ambulanee in the 37th Division, Ohio's own, and Sherm Wallaec served as my willing helper. Captain Gill (Doctor Gill of Norwalk, Ohio, in civilian life) eommanded our outfit — Ambulance Company 145, 112th Sanitary Train. He was one of the most beloved and respected eompany eommanders there ever was.

The Armistice stopped our division about 40 kilometers west of Brussels after a bitterly fought advance into Belgium. The end of the war, to us, was unbelievable. We had stopped listening to reports that soon proved to be false. At eleven o'eloek when the guns eeased firing, the silence throbbed in

ILLUSTRATED BY ISA BARNETT

our ears — a hovering, quivering unreality. When it proved to be more than a lull and the peace and quiet continued, we began to believe the war might really be over.

I found some blankets and went to sleep. Peacefully quiet, undisturbed sleep was the best conceivable way to eelebrate. We were all dog tired from the endless days and nights of the uproar of eonfliet.

Our division and the 91st Division were delegated to send troops to represent the United States in King Albert's parade. This meant a lot of fast work and the use of every means of transportation to get our troops there in time for the festivities. I have no idea how they managed to clean up the foot soldiers so quickly. They were a grimy-looking outfit when last seen. There was no time to clean and polish my battle-scarred ambulance. Just get there with a load of soldiers. That was the order of the day.

The road leading to Brussels was jammed. The total population of Belgium seemed to be going to the party. Fortunately, nobody wanted to go the other way; so we could pass the ox earts loaded with eelebrating families. They all had big lunch baskets and looked as though they were merrily on their way to a huge pienie. But the soldiers we were hauling to march in the parade had a gloomy outlook on the whole project.

Now that the war was over, their sole desire was to get home and out of the Army. The thought of marching in a parade brought painful memories of the ineessant marching of training days. A big feed and lots of *vin rouge* had been promised them after the parade was over, but no freedom to help liven up the holiday atmosphere.

In sharp contrast, Sherm and I were enjoying the trip. We were not going to parade. All we had to do was deliver the troops. Then, well, who could tell? We were going to the party.

We reached the outskirts of Brussels in the late afternoon and parked on the main thoroughfare to unload our troops. Captain Gill had ridden along on one of the ambulances, but was nowhere in sight. So — no orders — we set out on foot for the heart of the eity.

Sherm, Aubrey Davis, Eldis Reed, and I joined forees. Threading our way through the erowd, we soon saw that something was wrong. The sidewalks were paeked with happy citizens; but as we tried to slip through, traffic seemed to stop. The people stood where they were and stared at us in obvious bewilderment. We sought refuge in the nearest cafe to escape from the erowd and try to figure out what was wrong — also to sample the local grape products. The French people had taught us that a bottle of wine could bring inspiration or consolation, as needed.

All the tables were filled except a large one where a distinguished-looking elderly man was sitting alone. He looked up as we eyed the empty chairs. "Won't you sit down?" he invited in English.

We thanked him and sat down (Continued on page 41)



## By JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, Director FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

# We Must Choose Between

# DISCIPLINE and BARBARISM

JUVENILE CRIME IS BECOMING MORE PREVALENT AND VICIOUS. THIS IS WHAT WE MUST DO TO STOP THE VIOLENCE.

NYONE WHO has read even a minimum of history must be aware of the dark eras in man's past. All of us are familiar with ancient acts of violence - the sacking and burning of cities and orgies of lust and brutality. Consider the instance of drunken young barbarians stripping, torturing, and abusing their helpless victim and throwing her naked into the embers of a bonfire. Consider the incident of the youthful savages beating a passerby to his knees and "stomping" him to death. And consider the story of the young barbarians who tortured their victim with fire, beat him brutally, and pushed him into the river to drown.

How long ago? The Dark Ages? On the contrary, these were not savages clad in skins and armed with stone hatchets. The atrocities listed did not take place in the reign of Genghis Khan, Attila the Hun, or Emperor Nero. They were not the work of a modern NKVD or Gestapo. These vicious brutalities occurred within the recent past, and they took place in the United States! Unhappily, these incidents are not unique. Every newspaper one picks up has numerous items which reflect a return to the "law of the jungle."

Sooner or later, in the profession of law enforcement one encounters almost every facet of crime. But there is one aspect of criminal behavior to which I can never become inured. That is the trend of postwar juvenile crime. Today far more crimes are being committed by juveniles than were committed before World War II – and the types of crimes being committed by juveniles are infinitely more vicious than they were previously.

Who can read the following headline, dated December 26, 1957, without experiencing shock and apprehen-

## "SCHOOLBOY SLAIN IN GANGLAND STYLE"

Of course, one thinks, this must be exaggeration, for we do not relish living in an era of Capone, Buchalter, and Schultz. Yet have we progressed from that era of bloody lawlessness? The trend of crime is steadily upward, and the trend of youthful crime is starkly revealed in the statistics submitted by police in reporting cities. These statistics reflect that arrests of young people under 18 increased 9.8 percent in 1957 over the preceding year. Arrests in other age groups increased only 3.6 percent during the same period. Juveniles are today responsible for an increasing number of vicious crimes of the type committed by adult gangsters of a few decades ago. True, the gang as it existed then does not presently exist, and individual gangsters are not lionized and publicized as were such hoodlums as Dillinger, Floyd, and "Baby Face" Nelson.

Yet the gangs are with us, and today they are comprised of youths. A quick review of incidents reported in our metropolitan newspapers reveals that young people are largely responsible for the terror on our streets. The scanning of only a few recent papers is enlightening - and frightening. One item reflects that two teen-age youths were

HIGH SPIRITED YOUTH



Wheeling, W.Va. **Tommy Williams** Jailed for slaving



Allison, Iowa Ronnie Laughlin Killed a woman



Scranton, Pa. Marlene Chomko Shot her mother



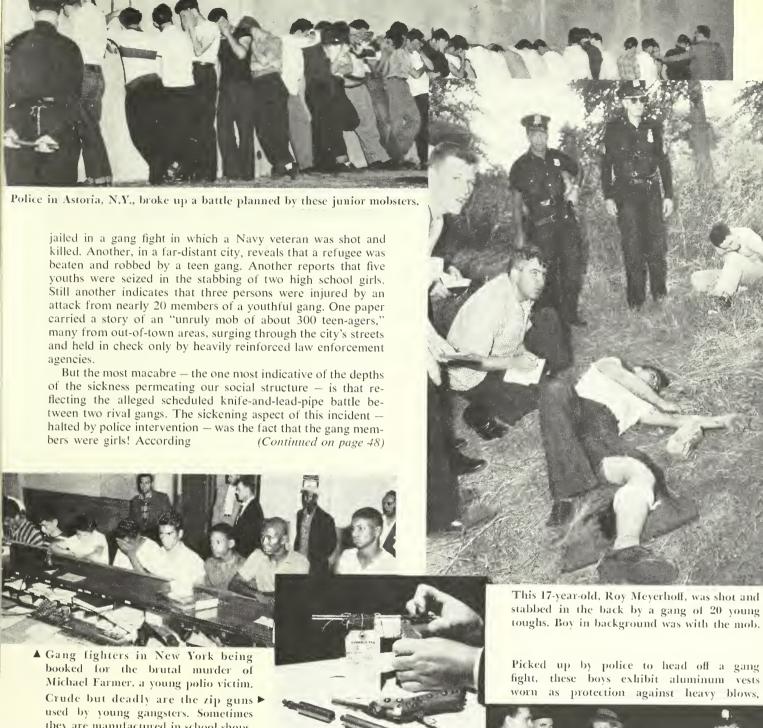
Chicago, III. **Clement Macis** Killed a boy



Carol Ann Fugate



Lincoln, Nebraska Charles Starkweather Accompanied youth . . . he murdered many



they are manufactured in school shops. Prime targets of some teen-agers are schools, churches and synagogues. Here young hoodlums expressed themselves. ▼



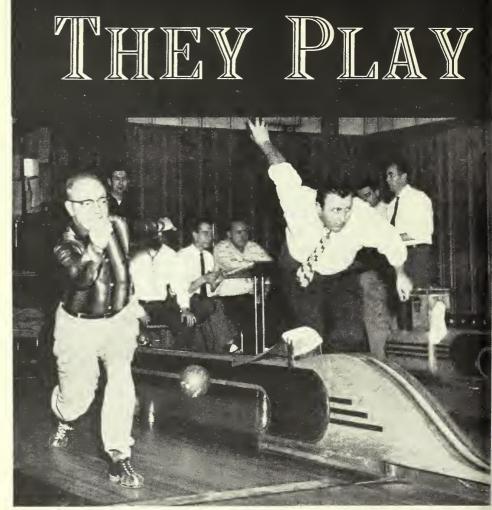
# By AL HIRSHBERG

MERICA IS PLAYING like mad on company time and company money, and more and more companies provide either free or ridiculously inexpensive sports and recreation for more and more employees.

On top of that, hundreds of companies sponsor sports teams for publicity and morale purposes, and some compete with the professionals for talent. The athletes not only are paid during their sports season, but often are given jobs with the company in their off-seasons.

Almost all of the 22,000 firms listed in Standard and Poor's business directory sponsor something for their employees, if it's no more than a Christmas party or an annual picnic. Most of the companies back additional extracurricular employee activity in some way or other, and some go far beyond the call of paternalistic duty. Last year industry spent more than \$1,000,000,000 providing recreation for company employees.

Eastman Kodak, for example, has planned a multimillion-dollar recreation center for employees in Rochester, N. Y. Gillette Safety Razor picks up a \$15,000 tab every year for an elaborate shindig at an amusement park in Canobie Lake, N. H. National Cash Register has both indoor and outdoor recreation facilities in Dayton, Ohio, for its employees. Hamilton Standard has a new



Bowling is the most popular sport in industry. This is the Gillette bowling team.



Charles Pfizer and Co. provides facilities for a pistol club.



North American Aviation's three ski clubs use the California mountains.



Hamilton Standard employees at Windsor Locks, Conn., take time out from making aircraft propellors to enjoy croquet.



Greist Company employees in New Haven get a 15-pound turkey every year for their Thanksgiving dinner.

and beautiful recreation center in Windsor Locks, Conn. Minneapolis-Honeywell sponsors dozens of sports leagues of all types for the men and women in its employ.

While the workers pay small fees for their entertainment, the companies put up prizes for winners and pick up the checks for leftover expenses. In Beverly, Mass., United Shoe employees operate their own golf course at an annual loss, which is made good by the company to

the tune of several thousand dollars. The Greist Manufacturing Company, manufacturer and assembler of precision metal stampings and parts, of New Haven, Conn., in common with hundreds of other American firms, encourages its employees to plan their own entertainment at small cost, then makes up the annual financial deficits at the end of each fiscal year.

According to the National Industrial Recreation Association, industry's stag-

gering bill for recreation is higher than the amount spent by the nation's schools and colleges for the same purpose. The N.I.R.A. itself, which has more than 500 member companies, stands as a monument to the growth of industrial recreation. Its sole function is to keep everyone—industry and employees alike—informed of all the latest developments. It publishes a magazine devoted exclusively to the subject of employee recreation.

# on COMPANY TIME

# WORKING CAN BE FUN WHEN A COMPANY HAS A WELL-ORGANIZED INDUSTRIAL RECREATION PROGRAM.



National Cash Register Company provides this outdoor chess board.

Yet the N.I.R.A. is not an old organization. This year it will hold its 17th annual conference and exhibit, which will be attended by well-paid personnel and recreation directors from all over the land — with *their* expenses paid by the companies they work for.

Sports and recreation have had a place in industry for many years, but their fastest growth has come only since World War II. Today labor and management work closely together. The company recreation director is an important executive who usually has his own secretary and sometimes a sizable staff. His only job is to keep everyone in the plant happy with widely varied recreation programs, some of which occasionally get priority over work programs.

The use of athletes for publicity, morale, and even marketing purposes is important business in some sections of the country. The National Industrial Basketball League competes with, and sometimes outbids, the National Basketball Association, the game's professional big league, for the best college talent every year. Five of the six teams in the N.I.B.L. are sponsored by industrial firms. One of them, Phillips 66, has twice represented the United States in the Olympic Games.

Phillips 66 gets more than publicity and good morale out of its sports teams. The basketball squad plays almost exclusively in marketing areas where the company sells its products. The firm now has nearly 70 executives, including the president, "Boots" Adams, who started out as athletes. Adams first joined the company as a basketball player.

One of basketball's big league teams, the Detroit Pistons, started out in Fort Wayne, Ind., where it was called the Zollner Pistons. The club is still owned by Fred Zollner, who long since got his investment back in publicity for his firm.

The Greist Manufacturing Company might well have been the pioneer in employee sports and recreation for morale-building purposes. The New Haven firm has a record that dates back to 1876, when it ran an outing for its 35 people. In the years since, Greist has run all sorts of parties and backed all sorts of activities for employees. Today the Greist employee club has a powerful voice within the framework of the company.

Greist has a typical program. The 650 employees in its New Haven plant (there are smaller branches on Long Island and in Los Angeles which have more modest programs) belong to the Greist Employees Association. Dues are ten cents a month, and the company matches whatever is collected by the end of the year, a little matter of some \$3,200.

The association, among other things, conducts an annual outing for employees and their families. The cost to each adult is \$1.50, to each child 50 cents. But the actual cost of the outing is \$6 per person. Since 700 attend the outing every year, the deficit incurred is nothing to



Minneapolis Honeywell's employee program includes ice hockey.

snccze at. The Greist Company, however, makes up the difference.

But the pride of the management is an annual Christmas party for employees, which must be one of the most elaborate of its kind in America. It's a gigantic dinner party with all the trimmings, including entertainment by nationally famous radio and TV personalities and dancing to the music of an equally famous "name" band. It's topped off with the presentation of a 15-pound turkey to each employee. Last year Hubert Greist, the executive vice president, personally handed out nearly 10,000 pounds of turkeys.

"Did you ever try picking up 10,000 pounds of turkey in one evening?" he (Continued on page 53)

# By HARRY J. JOHNSON, M.D.

PRESIDENT, THE LIFE EXTENSION FOUNDATION

OW MANY TIMES today have you heard a friend, business associate, or one of your own family complain about feeling tired? For that matter, how often have you grumbled about being "all in"?

If you are one of the millions who complain about chronic fatigue, the chances are 100 to 1 you're not tired from anything at all—you're tired of it. Your problem isn't physical fatigue, because a good meal and some sound sleep will take care of that. Nor is it probable that you are suffering from emotional fatigue (neurasthenia, the psychologists call it) or from the fatigue which follows an illness. Your trouble is mental "fatigue," an inner weariness outwardly displayed. Mental inertia is a better description. Yours is a pseudofatigue to which you are not really entitled, yet a "fatigue" which plagues millions like you. From a practical standpoint it is real, because it affects your proficiency. Physiologically it is false, for it has little direct influence on your physical well-being.

Chronic "fatigue" has become the number one complaint among American men and women. Millions of dollars are being needlessly spent on medical bills on this one count alone. The subject has progressed from a conversation piece to a first-class threat to our national incentive and traditional American get-up-and-go.

Certainly, in all their history, Amcricans have never enjoyed better working hours and working conditions, better recreational opportunities and labor-saving devices, better nutrition and medical attention. Indeed, we have never had it so good; yet, in spite of all the advantages, that "old tired feeling" continues to grow.

We might speculate that, as a nation, we have been coddled with such comforts that effort, in any degree, has become tiresome; that we have fallen prey to the ingenuity of our own devices

Illness can take the starch out of you.

Many things can cause "that old

you

tired feeling," but most of the time fatigue

is only the result of boredom.

which have raised our living standard to an unprecedented level. Perhaps, like Frankensteins, our creations have struck back, spoiling us with the very benefits they have furnished.

Perhaps too we might suspect that our "fatigue" is induced by the enervating persuasiveness of appeals to re-



Physical work obviously can tire you.

lax with a cigarette, wash easier with a soap, or drive effortlessly in some car. We are reminded of our tired blood and our wearisome aches and pains. We are exhorted to feel refreshed with some beverage or to look vibrant by using some lotion.

But conjecture will not solve our dilemma. Whatever may be the cause of this wave of chronic "exhaustion" which is sweeping the country, its ultimate solution rests with the individual himself.

Few subjects are at the same time as simple or as complex as fatigue. Even experts cannot always agree on its more capricious aspects. It can be a welcomed friend or a mortal enemy. Fatigue can



Mental work can leave you exhausted.

be physical or "mental." It may result from emotional upheaval or follow in the steps of an illness.

Commonest and best understood of all fatigue is the physical fatigue which arises from muscular exertion. Each one of us at one time or other has experienced the tingling head-to-toe weariness following a day's physical work or strenuous exercise. This pleasant sensation is your body's way of signaling for rest and food. It is a normal, healthy fatigue which we all quickly recognize and understand.

If you have ever had influenza, you will remember how quickly you tired during the few days immediately following your bout with the "bug." Every step became an effort which left you breathless and weary. Every muscle in your body seemed to ache. Under the circumstances this fatigue was quite



ous day cutting the lawn. Although your muscles were capable of pushing the mower longer, your nervous system sensed their fatigued condition by transmitting the pain which made you want to quit when you did.

If the brain does not tire, why then, you may wonder, should a man working at a desk all day on purely mental problems become tired at all? If you sat up late one night last April struggling with your income tax, you'll know. You were exhausted; yet you hadn't taken a step. But as your brain pushed that sharp pencil around, parts of your body were tense. Your muscles were working overtime although you did not suspect it until you stood up. Your nervous system knew what was going on, though, and translated the results into fatigue physical fatigue, not mental fatigue.

What we describe as mental "fatigue" is no less than a mental inertia. It is a product of our industrial age whose laws of conformity, systemization, and routine have lulled us into a self-afflicted hypnosis of ennui. Very simply, our problem of "fatigue" boils down to

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normal. Your body was fighting to throw off the so-called toxic effect which is a common aftermath of infection. Periods of excessive fatigue frequently follow surgery, too, or result from anemia or an underfunctioning thyroid gland. Obviously the remedy for this illness-type fatigue is rest supplemented when needed by prescribed medication.

Emotional fatigue is a much more complicated problem often requiring the help of a psychiatrist, a psychologist, or a clergyman, as well as the assistance of the immediate family and the cooperation and self-help of the victim himself. The emotionally fatigued person complains of fatigue constantly. He is as tired in the morning as he is at night. Neither sleep, nutrition, nor recreation provide much relief, for his trouble is rooted far deeper and stems from one or more of a thousand different inner conflicts of which fear, envy, and resentment are but a few. The cause must be located and the sufferer must learn how to avoid the situations which provoke his neurosis. Often this detection and re-education process is long and complicated, and it is often very wise to place the emotionally fatigued individual in the hands of experienced experts.

Authorities agree that the brain has limitless capacity for work. We tire, they say, because other parts of us become fatigued first. The brain itself could go on working indefinitely.

The nervous system is the first to detect our fatigue. This sensitive network serves as a kind of circuit breaker, protecting our bodies against unreasonable overloads of stress and strain. A good example of this safety valve in action is the acute muscular soreness you developed after that strenuGIVING YOURSELF A BREAK



▲ You can relax by lighting up.

Or you can use chewing gum. I



coffee break.



PHOTOS BY DANNY LEO

# By EDWARD W. ATKINSON

HE COST OF college has more than doubled since 1940, and it seems likely that by 1970 it will more than double again. Inflation has stormed the ivy-covered walls and has left in its wake a frightening prospect for any parent who plans to send his child to college.

But even if costs have skyrocketed, you may still be able to turn the trick. Every year thousands of people hurdle the financial fences that stand between them and higher education. In many cases they get the funds needed for college or technical school simply by asking for them, for literally millions of dollars are being given away each year solely to help young Americans further their education.

This money, in the form of scholarships, is lying around just waiting to be claimed. The total value of all the scholarships which have been established in the United States is enormous, although no man knows exactly how much it is. Last year the U.S. Office of Education reported that in 1956 there were, in 1,562 colleges and universities, 237,000 scholarships worth a whopping \$65,736,950. An-

# Does Your Child NEED A SCHOLARSHIP?

Thousands of them are available, many established for children of veterans. Here's how to track them down.



Many boys think that West Point is an unattainable goal. Actually, the Military Academy is anxious to find qualified young men.



The Regular Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps Program accepts approximately 2,000 men in 52 colleges each year.

children of veterans.

other estimate placed the value of scholarships at approximately \$100,000,000— and even that figure may be a conservative one.

Whatever the exact statistics, there are undoubtedly thousands of scholarships worth millions of dollars. There may well be one for your child.

Your problem, then, is to find it. This is not always easy, for there is no one place in the United States where all these scholarships are neatly cataloged. And there's not likely to be any master listing of them because (1) their total number is so vast, (2) their eligibility requirements are so varied, (3) they are offered by so many different organizations and individuals. In addition, their total number is constantly changing because some funds become exhausted and new ones are established almost every day.

Nevertheless, the scholarships are undeniably there, and they can be found. It's your job to ferret them out. And in doing this job, you, as a veteran, get a



▲ William E. Steffen (above) and June Drzik (right) attend college thanks to the War Orphans Educational Assistance Act.



Antoinette Raponi has a scholarship provided by the 14th Air Force Association,

means look at the bulletin board, but then check with the school authorities.

If your school has a guidance counselor, fine. Talk with him, If not, take your problem to the principal or an interested teacher. Educators are constantly being deluged with announcements of scholarship opportunities, and they are, consequently, in an excellent position to steer you toward the scholarship dollars you seek.

A high school official may know of

special break, for there are a multitude

of scholarships set up expressly to aid

check right around home. Start with the

high school your child attends, but don't

think that the school has no helpful in-

formation just because you don't find it

posted on the bulletin board. By all

Your first step should be a thorough

A high school official may know of scholarships available only to residents of your particular area, since many have been established for people living in specific communities. These are often especially attractive because competition





Hans C. Andersen discusses scholarship opportunities with his father (right) and high school principal.

for them is not so keen as for seholarships that are awarded on a national basis.

The American Legion may be able to aid you in your search. Your local Post may have established a scholarship. Or it may be in contact with other groups which have done so. In any ease, it will probably be able to direct you to someone in the community who knows of just the scholarship your boy or girl needs.

Your Post's Education and Scholarship Committee will have, or will be able to get, a tremendous store of scholarship information that has been gathered by the Legion's Committee on Education and Scholarships. Morris (Bob) Nooner, Jr., of Plymouth, Illinois, is chairman of this national committee which is a part of the Legion Child Welfare Commission. The committee's working arm, the Scholarship Information Service, has collected a staggeringly huge number of facts about more than 100,000 seholarships, especially those for children of veterans.

▲ Young Andersen checks with Legionnaire Casimir Sojka.

The Scholarship Information Service is probably the finest source you can find for information about seholarships for the children of veterans.

Its catalog Need a Lift? is a fact-packed little volume of educational opportunities which has helped immeasurably to increase the prestige of the Legion among teachers

and advisers of young people. The booklet has generated great good will in many areas where previously there was little real understanding of the work of the Legion in the field of education. Its effeetiveness has been such that officials of at least one school are on record as

having established scholarships for veterans' children as a result of having read Need a Lift? Since 1952 more than 250,000 copies have been distributed to Legion Posts, Auxiliary Units, parents, sehools, libraries, teachers, students. You can get a copy by sending  $15\phi$  to Scholarship Information Service, The American Legion, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis 6, Ind.

This booklet is compiled under the direction of Ed Wieland, head of the Scholarship Information Service, Wieland, an Iowan who served in the Army in World War II, has a missionary's zeal when it comes to spreading the word about scholarships. He is shoeked by the appalling waste of talent and money which stems directly from the lack of timely knowledge about scholarships by those who could take advantage of them, and he

#### CHECKLIST FOR SCHOLARSHIP HUNTERS

Where to go, where to write.

1. Local high school 2. Local Legion Post

or Auxiliary Unit

3. College of your choice 4. Local teachers as-

sociations, PTA, etc. 5. Local chapters of

alumni groups 6. Local branches of religious, civic, fraternal, service organizations

7. Your State's Department of Education

8. Large corporations

9. Labor unions

10. Public library

does all in his power to prevent this tragic

Far too many scholarships go begging, Wieland points out, because (1) people don't know about them and (2) they apply too late. In his office at Legion National Headquarters in Indianapolis not long ago he illustrated these ehronic failures with a few examples from his files. One folder held the applications of five eminently qualified young men for two scholarships at Rice Institute. Not one of them received a seholarship; all five had applied too late.



Ed Wieland (left), head of the Legion's Scholarship Information Service, and Legion Child Welfare Director Randel Shake discuss Need a Lift? the Legion's booklet which lists many educational opportunties.

Another folder produced evidence of a similar mistake on the part of some vounsters who sought to avail themselves of scholarships to Tufts University

There are, Wieland stresses, a multitude of other seholarships available (Continued on page 39)





Black & Decker features a work-saving orbital sanding attachment.

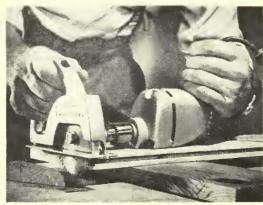
available for it, the handy quarterinch electric drill is a complete workshop in itself. Certainly it is the logical choice for
the person who likes to do his own repairs or to
tinker, but who does not have the space or money
necessary for a home workshop with power saws,
sanders, planers, etc. Making it doubly attractive
to the average homeowner is the fact that the
lady of the house can make use of it, too — to
polish furniture, clean cooking utensils, and do
other household chores.

You can get the basic unit, the drill, for as little as \$15 or \$20, but this is one case in which it is wise to spend more and get the best you can afford. You will want plenty of power to drive the accessories that make the drill so handy, and the cheaper models may not be capable of handling the load. Your key to the drill's power is the amperage rating, listed on the manufacturer's nameplate. A heavy-duty drill will be rated at 2.5 amperes, a light-duty drill at less than 1.8 amperes.

Accessories are easily attached to the drill by means of a chuck fastened to the shaft. This quickly unlocks with a key. Some of the accessories offered by various manufacturers are illustrated on these two pages, but there are many



Tight places open up to Millers Falls' angle attachment.



This Cummins 4-inch saw attachment will handle most home workshop sawing jobs.



The polisher obtainable from Stanley is a good investment.

POWER TOOL

The familiar quarter-inch drill will do just about anything, thanks to a lot of ingenious accessories that cost very little.



The Remington-Mall reciprocating saw attachment handles metal and wood.



A real labor-saver is Skil's buffer,



Porter-Cable features a timesaving screwdriver attachment.



An extremely useful accessory is a jigsaw attachment, such as Thor's.

others and new ones are constantly being introduced.

Some of them-grinding wheels which come in different shapes and sizes-can be used to sharpen tools. Inexpensive stirring rods can be had to mix paint quickly and efficiently. Or, with sanding discs and wire brushes, you can remove paint and prepare wood and metal for new paint jobs. Planing wood becomes an easy chore with an easily attached accessory. If you want to use your quarter-inch drill in the garden, accessories are available to turn it into a

hedge-clipper and an edger for your

In addition, you can get various kinds of stands to make the operation of a drill more efficient and precise on the workbench. One stand converts it into a drill press that will handle all but the biggest jobs. Another stand locks it securely in place for sanding, buffing, and polishing jobs. You can get one which makes the drill serve as a bench grinder, and still another converts it into an efficient disc sander.

Best of all from the standpoint of the

person who can't afford an expensive layout, it is seldom that any of these accessories cost more than \$20, and many of them cost less than \$10. Thus, for from \$50 to \$100, the cost of the drill included, you can probably get all the equipment you are likely to need for those jobs you want to do around the house. When you consider that this investment is less than the cost of a single power tool which requires bench mounting and a heavy-duty motor, it is obvious that you are getting a bargain.

THE END

# By ROBERT UHL

F THE MANY changes which have occurred in American life since the last war, there are two which appear to conflict head-on. One is the spectacular sports boom, especially in such traditionally masculine activities as fishing, hunting, and boating. The other is the new cult of "Togetherness" being preached by the women's magazines the idea that husband and wife should share all interests and activities. When the hearty outdoorsman finally gets home from his manly pursuits, drunk with sun and wind, his spirits high (not infrequently, the spirits are on the inside looking out), he's likely to find himself involved in a hot little cold war. To paraphrase the late Clarence Day:

"What tears the fiery hunter down, What keeps the fisherman in town, What will not let the sailor roam? It is the wife, it is the home."

Millions of hunters, fishermen, and boat lovers have attempted to straddle the issue by exposing their womenfolk to the pleasures of outdoor sports. With some wives and girl friends, the vaccination took; with others, it failed. Sometimes the effort is secretly reluctant, and comes about only because the choice is to hunt or fish with your wife, or not to hunt or fish at all. Not that these men (or I!) object to companionship between the sexes. We can have a swell time demonstrating to some cutc little doll how to hold a gun, flip a fly rod, or trim the jib sheet. But that isn't hunting, nor



Don't put her in positions which may prove dangerous.

is it fishing or sailing. It is romance. The one thing that can whip hunting, fishing, or anything else as an amusement, hobby, or avocation is romance.

The point is that romance is not everything. Almost, but not quite. Hunting, fishing, and boating are fun, too. Only

How to make a portsman

under certain difficult conditions can they be mixed with romance. A woman can be a good partner in outdoor sports only if the mcn (and she) can minimize her femininity. There's nothing about outdoor sports that's too difficult for women. We have lady wrestlers, lady lacrosse players, football players, war correspondents, even bullfighters. What they may lack in strength, they make up in their nice sense of timing and rhythm, their balance and keen sensitivity in using light tackle, squeezing a trigger or handling a tiller. The main barriers are psychological.

Success or failure depends in large measure on how the attempted indoctrination is planned and handled. As a first step, I'd suggest a little practice at home. Fishermen's knots and rigging, and the elements of casting, can be learned in a backyard. The U.S. Power Squadron offers free courses in boating. A good deal can be taught about shooting without firing a gun. There are plenty of shooting clubs where, at a time when no one clse is likely to be around, a few practice rounds may be fired. The preliminary instruction is particularly important if other people will be in the party on your wife's first trip afield. Ideally, you and your wife should be alone on the first excursions – she will be less shy and embarrassed, will learn faster, and will be much likelicr to have a good time than if your regular cronies are along.

Be sure you start her off with the right equipment.

Start your wife off with suitable equipment. Don't hand her an old relic of a gun with a lengthy stock and a ten-



If the little woman isn't keen about your

hunting and fishing, here's how to sell her.



The right clothes can make or break a trip for a woman.

pound, creepy trigger pull. Make sure the gun fits, even if you have to shorten the stock. A gun with a light recoil helps in avoiding flinching; so it's a good idea to start with a .22 or a small-gauge shotgun, but to switch to something bigger as soon as she has learned to hold the gun properly. An expert's gun like the sub-small gauge may dony her the thrill of a hit she might have made with a bigger gun. For less recoil, use field loads instead of powerful long-range loads.

If you and your lady take a fishing trip together, be sure she has a rod of suitable length, weight, and action. This does not mean your poorest or heaviest rig. She hasn't your skill to overcome handicaps in equipment, and success in her efforts is the surest key to a permanent interest in the sport. How often I've seen men fly fishing with beautiful tapered lines, while their tyro wives struggled with a level line. You should take the equipment which is hardest to use. The spinning rig is probably the best outfit with which to start any bcginner.

In a boat, teach her to start and run the outboard, and let her steer as much as possible so she'll have something to do. In a light sailboat, take along an outboard as insurance against the boredom of flat calm.

Excessive chivalry is inappropriate. You can flatter women more by letting them do their share of the work and preparation whenever it's within their capacity. But you can unobtrusively help them on certain messy items, like baiting a hook when blood worms are used, or taking an eel off the hook. It's a good idea to use artificial lures as much as possible during the fishing initiation.



Explain that game is a crop which has to be harvested.

Never try to hook or land a fish for your wife, nor shoot a bird for her, claiming the hit was her's (she's seldom fooled). If your wife or girl friend is to learn to like the sport, her achievements must not be alloyed by excessive help from you at critical moments.

There's no need to be obviously solicitous about your wife's endurance. She will tire before you do; so take a break at frequent intervals. Tell her that it's standard practice - that you're doing it to rest the dogs or the pool. With frequent short rests, you'll find that your wife can keep pace with you, and you can cover almost as much ground or water as you usually do. Women tire more easily than men, but they recover their energy with rest much more quickly than men. You'll find this leisurely hunting and fishing will pay dividends in results. A hurried or tired sportsman



Share and share alike when it comes to the drudgery.

loses fish and misses game he would otherwise have taken.

The right clothes can make or break a trip. You have enough extra rough clothing, probably, to keep your wife warm. But don't expect her to be happy when dressed in your outsize shirts and sweaters. Loosen up and lct her get the essential garments in sizes that fit, and that have some element of style. Don't forget to tell her how nice she looks. You're not feeding her vanity - the opposite, rather, because she probably believes she looks 20 pounds heavier. We are the beneficiaries of women's concern about their appearance, and there's no need for them to dress like scarecrows when they go outdoors with us. No woman will completely lose her confidence when her sporting outfit is becoming. It was the fashion designer who won women over to skiing. Who could resist such attractive garments? And boating, hunting, and fishing clothes are good looking, too. (Except waders!)

Praise your wife for every real achievement, not as obvious flattery, but

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# ROD GUN CLUB



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"I use a cork impregnated with light machine oil and place the hooks up to the barbs in the cork."

THE GILLETTE SAFETY RAZOR CO. offers for one buck a fishing kit—a plastic box that will hold plenty of lures, hooks, and the like. Box comes with a razor, a package of blades, and a golden lure (a minnow in bronze with a treble hook). It's worth \$2.75; but Gillette, feeling that the day of the fisherman is upon us, wants every line-dabbler in the land to have one of these fishing kits with the bait box and the golden lure. We got one and can report that the blades are sharp, the lure a good one, and the bait box big enough to be useful.

THE RUGER BEARCAT is a new single-action revolver offered by Sturm, Ruger & Co., Inc. It has a one-piece frame and an engraved cylinder. The trigger guard is anodized to resemble brass. Overall length, 8¾ inches; weight, 17 ounces. Chambered for all .22 R.F. ammo. Price \$49.50. Sales Manager E. Nolan, of Sturm, Ruger, 2 Station Street, Southport, Conn., will send you free literature and additional information upon request.



RONALD WENDT, R.D. 5, Marshfield, Wis., has a good way to remove porcupine quills from a dog. "Take a cupful of ordinary vinegar and one tablespoon of baking soda," he writes. "Stir well. Apply this solution carefully on protuding parts of the quills. Wait ten minutes, Then apply solution again and wait another ten minutes. You can then pull out the quills from the dog with ease and without hurting the dog." Ronald says that the vinegar solution is acetic acid, which softens up the lime in the quills and causes them to wilt and shrink.

**GENE HUDSON,** Boswell, Ind., uses a caliber .50 ammo box as a waterproof container for camera and accessories while fishing. "It has a rubber gasket in the lid, and I lined it with gasket cork to cushion the contents. With a little more padding it would make an ideal portable handgun case or animo container for the field camp."

conservation officer of the Utah Department of Fish and Game, conducted a Survival Safety Training course throughout the State during the last half of 1957 to July this year. Course has produced 803 safety instructors and 61 assistant instructors. They, in turn, have conducted classes in 15 counties and have trained 3,791 boys and girls in the fundamentals of survival. In addition to firearms safety, the course stresses safety in boats, at home, at camp, and while hunting, skiing, and using a bow and arrow.

YOU BIG OUTDOORSMEN can now get big-sized hunting boots from King-Size, 120, Brockton, Mass. This firm, which makes sizes 10 to 16 in narrow, medium, and wide widths, announces a nine-inch insulated boot which keeps your feet warm without layers of socks. Soft, glove leather makes it extra soft inside. Cost \$19.95. Write for free catalog showing complete line of shoes, shirts, jackets, and socks designed for big men only.

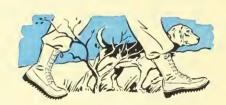
THE ARKANSAS TRAVELER line of fiberglass runabouts and day cruisers will be announced this month. They will be made by Southwest Manufacturing Co., which continues to produce its famous aluminum boats. Such outstanding aluminum water craft as the Fisherman, Angler, Explorer, and Utility series will still be available. For more details, write Burt Terry at Southwest Manufacturing Co., Box 2501, Little Rock, Ark.

THE HI-THUM spin casting reel put out by Horrocks-Ibbotson deserves the attention of all fishermen who like spin casting or bait casting. The reel is simplicity itself. The spool is at the back of the reel. You thumb the line naturally through a hole in back of the reel as it revolves. The Hi-Thum reel comes with 70 yards of 6-lb.-test nylon monofilament on the spool. It will cast ¼-oz. or ½-oz, lures perfectly. Used with an H-I #2286½ Power Glass rod, it's an ideal casting outfit. Cost of reel, \$15; rod, \$23. Write Jim Miller at Horrocks-Ibbotson, 20 Whiteboro, Utica, N. Y., for more details and an illustrated booklet.

Shop, 2702 Herman Avc., Ashland, Ky., has advice for handloaders. "After reloading pistol, rifle, or shotgun shells, use clear fingernail polish over the primers. This will waterproof the primer and seal in the gas that might escape when the shells are fired."

IF YOU FEAR that you're either an unlucky or stupid deer hunter, don't give it a thought. According to a report from Alichigan game biologists, only a small percentage of the deer in an area are harvested each year. Chances are the deer were there and you just didn't see them. The Michigan biologists fenced a square mile of forest and stocked the enclosure with 34 whitetails. Seven hunters soon began stalking the deer. It was found that hunters needed an average of 14 hours to bag a deer when both sexes could be taken, and 51 hours when bucks only were legal.

They were able to shoot only about 2 percent of the deer in the area during an eight-hour day. Deer drives offered the most successful method, but 20 percent of these drives failed to flush the sly animals. It was concluded that deer are usually more plentiful in an area than is evident to the average hunter, and the total deer harvest in an area is small compared to the number of animals present.



Insulated Sporting Boot with hack ripple soles put out by Knapp Bros. Shoe Co. These deluxe boots will keep your feet warm in coldest weather. The special "Taylor-Tex" binding at the top of the boot's inside grips tucked-in trousers and holds them in place. No pulling out in underbrush. Price: \$22,50. Write to Robert D. Estes, at Knapp Bros. Shoe Co., 173 Spark St., Brockton, Mass., for more information on these boots or other items in the complete Knapp line of outdoor boots.

JACK GARVEY, 19120 W. Spring Lake Road, Spring Lake, Mich., has a neat woods trick, "My father and I," he says, "have found that by cutting identifying marks in the heels of our hunting boots, we can keep track of one another's movements on the trails we use while hunting deer in the wilds of northern Michigan. Helpful particularly when there are several other sets of tracks in our area."

**SPORTSMEN CAN AGAIN** come to the aid of wildlife conservation through the purchase of National Wildlife Conservation Stamps which are sold each year by the National Wildlife Federation.

This year's stamp series stresses the value of protecting our public lands. Funds derived from the stamp sales will be used to finance work for the federation. This work includes legislative reporting, conservation fellowships, grants-in-aid for teachers' training workshops, and other worthwhile conservation projects.

The sheet of 36 attractive multicolored stamps depicts mammals, birds, flowers, and other scenes of America's natural beauties, and may be purchased for \$1 by writing the National Wildlife Federation, 232 Carroll St. NW, Washington, D.C.

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# NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 1958

A DIGEST OF EVENTS WHICH ARE OF PERSONAL INTEREST TO YOU

# LAW PROVIDES VA REFUND OF RELIEF MONEY IT COLLECTED FROM VETERANS:

A refund of about \$1.6 million to some 8,440 veterans was approved by law on August 1...On that day the President signed a bill to OK the repayment ... Funds in question are those which the VA collected from veterans for protection it had given them under the Soldiers and Sailors Relief Act of 1940... Under that act, VA paid commercial insurance premiums for the vets while they were in service in WW2...The act protected them from losing their private insurance as a result of reduced income while in service... After the war, the VA collected from as many vets as it could -- in many instances by withholding the amount from NSLI dividends or other VA benefits...When some vets challenged this collection in court a long series of litigations ended in a Supreme Court decision in their favor ... The decision applied only to relief given up to 1942, when the basic act was amended... The 1942 amendments did make the vets liable to repay for any relief given thereafter.

The new law <u>authorizes</u> the repayment... An appropriation bill in Congress at presstime will, if passed, <u>provide the necessary money...</u>Then, according to a ruling of the Comptroller General, the veterans <u>must apply</u> for their refunds in order to get them...Method for applying was <u>not set up</u> at presstime for these words... "Newsletter" will advise vets of application method as soon as available from VA.

# FINAL DECISION NOT YET ON REFUND TO WIDOWS:

Whether veterans' widows who are drawing Federal Employees Compensation for the loss of their husbands in service will have six-months back benefits refunded to them was still indefinite at presstime for "Newsletter."...No decision had yet been rendered on the final hearing of an original favorable decision in their favor gained by The American Legion last fall.

Legion contended Bureau of Employees Compensation erred in withholding six

months benefits from the widows -- which it did on grounds that the Armed Forces continued pay of the deceased veterans for six months after their in-service deaths... In first decision, the Dep't of Labor's Employees Compensation Appeals Board upheld Legion, ordered six-months' benefit refund to all such widows... The paying Bureau had right for a second hearing which it used this spring...But at presstime, the appeals board had not released its final word... The question at point does not apply to widows who are drawing Veterans Administration benefits for the loss of their husbands in service...Only widows involved are those drawing Federal Employees Compensation benefits.

# VETS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE BRINGS OUT BILL TO CONTROL VETERANS HOSPITALS:

Here are the basic features of the bill (HR10028) recommended to the House of Representatives by the House Veterans Affairs Committee on July 30... The bill is aimed at extending further legal controls over VA hospitals; was reported out after two weeks of hearings (reported at some length starting on page 29.)

The bill provides that:

- 1. The VA hospitals will maintain an average daily patient load of not less than 113,000 patients.
- 2. They will maintain an operating-bed capacity of not less than 125,000, under direct control and jurisdiction of the VA Administrator.
- 3. No VA installation will be closed out or have its function transferred without reporting the proposal to the House Veterans Affairs Committee, nor before Congress has been in session 90 days following such notification.

The above provisions seem aimed at reducing by law the arbitrary power of the Budget Bureau to make VA facilities unavailable under various pretexts.

The bill further provides that:

4. Eligible non-service-connected veterans who may be covered for medical care by workmen's compensation or other

medical insurance may be put in the lowest priorities for VA medical care.

This seems aimed at restricting admissions based on inability to pay where there is a presumption that third parties are obligated to pay for the patient's private care... See story on p. 29 for more on this subject.

The bill also provides that:

5. Veterans with non-service-connected disabilities who are eligible for hospitalization for care or observation, but could be treated on an outpatient basis, may be given outpatient care...See story on p. 29 for more on this subject.

During the hearings reported on p. 29, those testifying were not privy to the text of the bill...Thus expert American Legion analysis of its probable effect if passed wasn't available at presstime.

# COMMERCIAL TOUR OF PACIFIC BATTLE AREAS:

An assortment of Pacific Ocean travel agencies and airlines announce an organized commercial tour of many Pacific Ocean battle areas of WW2...The tour, planned for a departure from Los Angeles in February 1959, is scheduled to hit such spots as Guadalcanal, Pearl Harbor, Corregidor, Hollandia, Bougainville and Lae...It's aimed to attract Pacific veterans. Gold Star mothers and others with a sentimental interest in some of the more and less travelled areas of the late war... Basic itinerary is Los Angeles, Pearl Harbor, New Zealand, Australia, New Guinea-Solomons, Manila, Guam, Wake, Hawaii, Los Angeles...Sidetrip to Hong Kong and Japan is offered... Any readers further interested write: Murray-Hawkinson Travel Service, 1215 Mile High Center, Denver, Colo.

# LEGION WON'T REPRESENT DEPENDANT AGAINST DEPENDANT:

The American Legion's Nat'l Executive Committee recently reiterated the stipulation that the Legion does not represent widow against widow, orphan against orphan, parent against parent -- will not handle the interests of two or more claimants in simultaneously contested claims... This does not mean The Legion won't represent two or more claimants in the same case if their interests do not conflict.

If two women each claim VA benefits as the widow of the same veteran, the Legion will not represent either of them...In no case where two or more persons each claim the <u>same</u> VA benefit, which may be awarded to but one, will the Legion handle the claims ... That is one of the <u>few</u> conditions under which the Legion will not give expert representation to a claimant for a VA benefit, or any other benefit or claim arising out of war service... One other is that the Legion does not provide legal services in courts of law, except in rare instances where this is approved by national Legion action in important test cases.

### LEGION BOWLING SHIRTS AVAILABLE:

Labor Day's approach heralds the forming up of bowling leagues all over the U.S.A. for the coming winter season...

American Legion bowling team captains and league secretaries are advised that nat'l HQ now offers a line of officially designed American Legion bowling shirts...For descriptive circular of bowling shirts write: Emblem Sales Division, American Legion Nat'l Hq, P. O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, Ind.

# PRESIDENT APPROVES NEW VETS HOSPITALS FOR FLORIDA:

On July 7, the President approved plans for construction of new VA hospital facilities in Florida...Plan includes a new hospital in the Miami area to replace the present Coral Gables Hospital, and new construction at Bay Pines... No authorization was provided for Gainesville, where a 1,000-bed mental hospital has long been sought, and VA has a building site... Approved plans would eventually increase the Miami and Bay Pines installations to 700 beds over their combined present capacity...Presidential approval is the first of a long series of steps needed to bring the hospitals into being... The new facilities could not be put into use earlier than five years hence, American Legion officials estimate.

# LEGISLATIVE REVIEW:

Late doings of Congress on pending bills of importance to The American Legion are omitted from this issue...As Congress prepared to go home, the status of pending bills changed daily, and would change again after this page closed... A final report on actions of the 85th Congress on major bills of interest to veterans will be in the November "Newsletter."...There will be no October "Newsletter" as the space will be given over to actions of The American Legion Nat'l Convention, which convenes in Chicago as this issue is in the mails.

# NEWS of The American Legion

# SEPTEMBER 1958

# Sabotage of Vets' Hospitals Assailed at House Hearings

Either daylight, or an illusion of daylight shone on the current fog of the status of the nation's veterans hospitals as the result of Congressional hearings in mid-July.

Principal actors at the hearings were (a) Rep. Olin E. Teague (Texas), chmn of the House Veterans Affairs Committee which called the hearings, and (b) Mr. Sumner Whittier, former lieutenant governor of Massachusetts who is now Administrator of Veterans Affairs.

In supporting roles were the other members of the House Committee and sundry other witnesses to testify on the VA hospitals,

Mr. Teague being a Democrat and Mr. Whittier being an agency head in a Republican administration and this being an election year, no holds were barred. As a result, more was said, and said more bluntly, about what gives in the VA hospitals than in many a moon.

It fell to Whittier to speak up to charges that the Budget Bureau, which exercises vast control over all federal hospitals, was hamstringing the eare Mr. Whittier's hospitals are giving America's disabled veterans through a consistent policy of penny-pinching.

Whittier's was not a happy lot. The WW2 Navy veteran had not only to defend himself but also his masters — the Budget Bureau and the Eisenhower Administration — against—the—determined onslaught—of—WW2—Army veteran Teague. And Rep. Teague had many an embarrassing question to ask.

#### Some Switches

After dutifully defending both the Administration and its Budget Bureau, Whittier cited certain steps to help the VA hospitals which, he said, the Budget Bureau had taken since he became VA chief last December, They included these Budget Bureau concessions:

1. It okayed restoring \$3.3 million for veterans' tubercular care for 1959 (of a larger sum it had previously lopped off).

2. It agreed to let some unneeded tuberculosis beds be converted to other uses (after previously ordering Whittier not to convert any of them).

3. It gave its approval to making the VA budget be independent of the collection of medical insurance fees claimed

by it for the care of some of its patients. (Making VA depend on such collections for part of its day-to-day operating funds has hurt VA's operation, as insurance companies contest payments and courts uphold them).

4. It approved 700 new hospital beds for Florida (after years of haggling).

5. It okayed basic designs for hospital construction (which it had long delayed thus delaying construction itself).

6. It upped new hospital construction limits for 1959 to \$65 million (after having prevented previous expenditure of such an amount though the money had been appropriated).

7. It approved requirements for a Jackson (Miss.) and a Nashville (Tenn). VA hospital (after having long sat on both of them).

8. It had "reviewed" the rising eosts of medical care about which it had previously done nothing, and it had "reviewed" the situation it had brought about by preventing normal maintenance work on many VA hospital facilities (and Mr. Whittier believed such re-

view would produce sensible results in the future).

These are fine steps, Rep. Teague agreed. But they looked like corrections of Budget Bureau policies that for the most part never should have been. And did Mr. Whittier and the Budget Bureau bring these progressive corrections off under their own steam, Teague asked, or were they hastily improvised under pressure of the House committee and the imminence of these very hearings?

That one was left up in the air

Then the committee wanted to know about the VA hospital beds that are kept out of use in the face of a large (how large?) list of waiting eligible patients.

All told, said Mr. Whittier, there were 7,308 "unavailable beds" in the VA system as of last Dec. 31. Some of these were not occupied because (a) they were in the process of being put to use, but the process hadn't run its course, or (b) the wards or rooms they occupied were under repair, or (c) doctors and nurses couldn't be found to staff them or (d) other similar factors made their use impossible, These reasons made 2,334 beds unavailable for patient use.

That left 4,974 "unavailable" beds which the VA had listed as "not re-

# AMERICAN LEGION BOYS' NATION - 1958



SEATED ON Capitol steps are the 98 boys who were guests of The American Legion at Boys' Nation, 1958, in July. Named from 18,000 high school juniors at 47 Boys States held by Legion departments, the youngsters were schooled in gov't for a week at the University of Maryland campus and at the national Capitol. They met top gov't officials; debated top issues themselves — then elected Daniel Lund (Calif.) and Randall Revelle. (Wash.) their president and vice-president (left to right in inset).

quired to meet current operating plan."

The House committee was all ears. How about that? More than anything else, it was this closing out of beds under that vague explanation that had brought about the hearings. Whose plan? What plan?

That means we don't have any patients asking for the use of those beds. Mr. Whittier explained. There's no demand for them, so we put them out of operation. No patients to be found.

Committee members raised evebrows. No patients waiting? They cited local instances in their districts where eligible veterans were on the waiting list while beds were closed as "not required to meet current operating plan." How come?

Mr. Whittier backtracked. Some of these beds had no conceivable present use. They were part of old military hospitals and were just being kept in reserve against some future emergency.

But others could be put back in use, and 328 of them recently ordered closed would not be closed after all. Orders had already gone out to use them to pick up some of the waiting list in 1959.

But why had they ever been closed if there were patients waiting?

Then it came out. Until just recently, the Budget Bureau had not permitted conversion of unneeded TB beds to other uses. Most of these beds were TB beds without any demand for their use by tuberculous veterans. By the artificial restriction imposed by the Budget Bureau there were no patients to be found. "Current operating plan" had been to make them TB beds or nothing.

But now, just before the original scheduled opening of these hearings, the Budget Burcau had okayed the conversion of some of them.

For instance, of the 90 TB beds set for closing in Martinsburg, W. Va. (American Legion Magazine, June, 1958) as "not needed...etc.", 40 would now be converted to uses for which there were eligible patients after all.

Then the committee wanted to know just what the picture of sick veterans on the hospital waiting list really is.

Usual VA figures allowed that there's a waiting list of about 26,000 patients. But this doesn't quite cover all classes of waiting patients. Redefined to include some waiting patients not covered by this list, it's closer to 53,000, Whittier advised.

Later, John J. Corcoran, American





Whittier

Teague

Legion Rehabilitation Director, appeared and reminded the committee that to this must be added an unknown number of eligible veterans who don't apply when they learn beds won't be available in time to do them any good for what ails them.

Then came the question of scrimping on medical care and food in the hospitals. For more than ten years, the standard of VA medical care had been "medicine second to none." Was it now true that the VA hospital budget as it comes to Congress with the blessing of the Budget Burcau stints on funds for top-quality care and good food?

Said Whittier: "We are going to give that care which is comparable to that given in the community." If it was not a misphrase by a badgered administrator, that would mean a lowering of the "second to none" tradition to whatever the local standards are.

Said VA medical chief Dr. W. S. Middleton: "Our veterans have good care." On the subject of food, Dr. Middleton said: "Good meals are being served." Then he amended that by adding: "There are not as many steaks. There are not as many standing roasts. There are more stews. There is more of ground steak and hamburger. Sometimes there is not as much milk.

Which indicated the food trend.

Dr. Middleton got back to the quality of care again, adding that the pending appropriation bill for 1959 would provide 26 fewer VA employees for each 100 VA mental patients than VA medical authorities recommend. Other sources revealed that the same money bill would provide 66 fewer employees per 100 general medical and surgical patients and 27 fewer employees per 100 TB patients than VA medical opinion recommends.

Which indicated the trend in medical quality.

Then the committee wanted to know about 6 VA hospitals closing their laundries and hiring out their wash commercially on a "trial basis." Mr. Whittier said they were doing that and comparing the costs. The Budget Bureau liked the idea, and was prepared to cut out the cost of building laundries in new hospitals if it should pan out financially.

The laundry idea was part of a Hoover Commission scheme to use the VA hospitals more to serve business inter-

A group appeared at the hearings representing several laundry owner associations. They advocated jobbing out all the VA hospital wash.

Mr. Whittier and the laundrymen had to take it while the committee let off steam on that one. First they trotted forth the opinion of The American Hospital Association that hospitals better have their own laundries. Then Dr. Middleton had to admit in the presence of his boss that, medically, laundries are an integral part of hospitals.

Then the committee members said

## AMONG THE NEW DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS FOR 1958-59

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FLORIDA

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suppose it is cheaper to job out the wash? So what? How about the sanitation problems? If you send the sheets and pajamas of the sick to commercial laundries who guarantees the eontrol of eontamination? Should hospitals have sickbed wash lying around waiting for the delivery truek? Should hospital sanitary standards be at the mercy of commercial laundry strikes? Can the sanitary standards of any hospital ever safely be delegated to controls outside the hospital?

Next it eame out that the Budget Bureau was prepared to let the VA spend \$500,000 more in 1959 to have its laundry jobbed out than to do its own wash. Evebrows jiggled at this unexpected generosity where the care and feeding of the siek would not be improved. Rep. Teague allowed he trusted the Budget Bureau about as much as he trusted a rattlesnake.

The laundry episode stuck sharp pins in the prevailing notion that the eostaccounting of a Budget Bureau can safely be trusted with medical questions.

Then eame a group of doetors from the Oklahoma County Medieal Society to eomplain about the existing legal standards for admitting patients to VA hospitals. The Society had threatened a few years ago to pull a doctors' strike which it would enforce through its power over the livelihood of local physicians — against the Oklahoma City VA hospital if the federal admission standards were not ehanged to conform to the local medical society's own concept of what they should be.

After listening to them, Rep. Teague remarked that they'd be satisfied with nothing less than exclusion of all nonservice patients, no matter how needy or ill, and no Congressman was going to introduce any such proposal.

Later eame more doctors from The American Medical Association and The American Hospital Association, Away with eare for the non-service-eonnected veterans, they urged. Both groups implied that though such patients are hospitalized on a basis of inability to pay, they probably had some money or assets left which should go to private physicians and hospitals until such time as they were completely broke, when they could go into charity wards.

Dr. Russell Roth, speaking for the AMA, said that it was "vicious eompetition" with private enterprise for the VA to let these suspected assets escape private practitioners.

The witnesses from organized medicine had a vaeuum of facts about the specific veterans they wanted to kick out of the hospitals, but were loaded with over-all statistics which they applied to the individuals as it suited them. Dr. Roth rationalized that since veterans in general are a high-income group, those the VA is earing for must have some of the money.

Dr. Martin Steinberg of the hospital association was more moderate as he too called for eurtailment of VA care.

Two of the beefs of the organized medieine witnesses had a legitimate ring. Some of them had complained that many VA patients who eould get by with outpatient treatment (visit the hospitals for eare but not oeeupy a bed) were wastefully oeeupying beds.

The present law doesn't let non-service-eonneeted patients get outpatient treatment, so they must take a bed, even if they don't need it, to get eare they are eligible for. Further, some eould be discharged from beds earlier if they eould report back for outpatient care for the completion of their treatment.

But the same witnesses showed no enthusiasm for extending outpatient eare to the non-service-connected veteran if the bedspace saved would then be used to aecommodate eligibles on the waiting list. The beds saved must be closed, they said, elosed, elosed, elosed.

The other beef that sounded good was that the VA sometimes admits patients as unable to pay who may be covered for medical eare by workmen's compensation for some form of medical insuranee.

But Mr. Whittier had explained before they eame on that it is easier to complain about this than to do anything about it that is consistent with the doctor's oath.

If a veteran needs eare today and you send him to a private hospital to run up a bill he cannot pay on the assumption that someone else is liable, that's okay provided someone else really is liable. Whittier said.

But if an army of lawyers and claimsexperts come along after the bill is rendered and leave the veteran holding the bag, what then?

Whittier had explained that for some time the VA had invited its non-serviceconnected applieants to go elsewhere in every case where the liability of a third party was elearly established at the time the veteran needed the care.

There were precious few such eases, he said, but in practically all of them the veterans had voluntarily gone elsewhere.

But everyone eonceded this was a problem, since non-service-eonnected eare never was intended for any veteran whose medical costs could be covered through his private resources.

Legion's Testimony

John J. Coreoran gave testimony for The American Legion, as its Rehabilitation Director. He ehcered the committee for holding such penetrating hearings on the hospital situation.

Budget slashes and threats of budget slashes have a steady demoralizing effect on VA hospital employees, he said.

VA medical staffs should not be paid less than comparable federal employees in other agencies, he intimated, unless there is some purposeful plan to undermine the veterans hospitals.

When a TB bed is elosed its hospital gets \$7,000 lopped off its budget, which is more than the bed costs to operate, he reported. The balance must be made up by eeonomizing on the operation of the remaining beds. How eome?

After WW2, the revised VA medical system became the best in the world, he said. But the last two VA medical chiefs, Admiral Joel T. Boone and Dr. William S. Middleton, have been hamstrung in

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their efforts to maintain the standard. "During their regimes," said Corcoran, "the intrusion of the Budget Bureau policies of control of expenditures, reduction of beds, curtailment or delay in purchases of equipment, medical supplies, etc. and deferment of repairs and replacements became more manifest. . . . Quality of . . . care is impaired, morale of personnel is lowered, valuable professional people resign, and the whole program suffers."

Waiting lists of eligible patients are much bigger than official figures reveal. he said. A hospital whose official figures recently showed "none waiting" actually had 107 eligible patients pending admission — or almost half its capacity. It depends on how you count them.

Then too, he said, when beds are tight, some applicants are rejected on "medical grounds" who would be medically acceptable for care if beds were plentiful. They aren't listed as "waiting' because they've been rejected through a change in the medical standards which conceals the actual reason - bed-shortage.

Pressures that seem responsible for the sly whittling away of the former high standards are chiefly organized medicine and organized taxpayers groups. Corcoran cited The American Medical Association, the national U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the National Manufacturers Association "and others" whose active interest in the reduction of care for sick veterans "rarely has been described as humanitarian." But their influence with the Budget Bureau, he intimated, has been noticeable.

Corcoran, a WW2 Army Air Force veteran, pinpointed the degree to which Whittier is subject to great power wielded over his hospital operation by the Budget Bureau, It goes back to Circular A 27 of June 1948, of former President Harry S. Truman, which dissolved the old federal hospital board and vested its uniquely medical authority in the essentially cost-accounting Budget Bureau.

Under Circular A 27, said Corcoran, "we think that the Budget Bureau has taken over much that Congress intended the Administrator of Veterans Affairs should have by way of administrative powers and latitude.

Entering into the spirit of the hearings, Corcoran added: "We have observed that the endowment of intellect, prudence, foresight, good judgment, ability and patriotism among VA officials is at least equal to that of those who, in sheltered jobs within the murals of the Bureau of the Budget, presume through slide rules, calibration and statistics to restrict and reduce the operation of VA medicine. The VA's mission is to care for sick veterans, legally eligible and requiring hospital attention.

"The mission of the Budget Bureau is to control expenditures and save dollars. "We hope that these hearings will suggest reasonable and effective procedures to insure that the mission of the Veterans Administration and the will of Congress cannot be thwarted.

Rep. Teague had earlier singled out Budget Bureau career employee Fred McNamara, a former VA hospital manager for some personal comment: "I think he sabotages this program. I believe he does everything he can to prohíbit VA from earrying out this program as Congress intended.

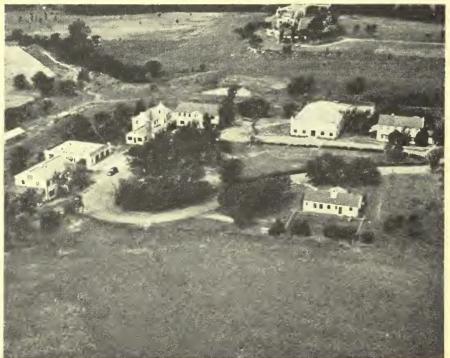
All in all, the Budget Bureau had a bad time of it, and Mr. Whittier in his unhappy role of having to front for it, perhaps a worse one.

Before the hearings wound up, Rep. Teague put his committee on record as being determined to:

- (a) Maintain the present size of the VA hospital system.
- (b) Maintain the quality of its medical care as second to none.
- (e) Give the VA authority to adjust its medical program to changing conditions without artificially imposed restrictions.
- (d) Provide care for every eligible veteran to the real limit of the facilities.
- (e) Prevent ineligible veterans from getting care.

Next question was just how this would be done.

On July 30, the House Veterans Affairs Committee interrupted the hearings to go into executive session. When it emerged a few hours later, it favorably reported out a bill, HR10028, as its version of the kind of law needed to keep the veterans hospitals operating as intended. Contents of HR10028 are digested in "Newsletter" in this issue see page 27.



OUTSTANDING LEGION PROJECTS: OKLAHOMA

THE AMERICAN Legion Home School for children at Ponca City, Oklahoma.

# CHILD WELFARE:

# Oklahoma's Pride

Anyone who wants to see in one eyeful what "Child Welfare" means in The American Legion is invited to visit Oklahoma, and particularly Ponea City.

There, on rolling prairie some 70 miles north of Oklahoma City, has stood since 1927 the famed American Legion Home School of Oklahoma, where Oklahoma Legionnaires and Auxiliares maintain for homeless, abandoned, neglected or underprivileged children of Oklahoma war veterans a shelter that is as much like a home as an institution can be. (See photo).

More than 1,000 children have found a home at the Home School since it was founded, and today it has an average enrollment of 105 boys and girls. At the Home School they get food, shelter, guidance and loving care, and thanks to the Ponca City Board of Education they

pack up their books each morning during the fall, winter and spring and go off to public school in town.

The story of the lives of these children is seldom a pretty one. Some are merely luckless orphans who have no family. Others come from broken homes or have in their backgrounds stories not of their doing, better untold.

Oklahoma Legionnaires employ not only a fulltime staff to run the Home School on the premises, but a fulltime paid American Legion state Child Welfare Officer, Roy Pickens of Oklahoma City.

Every child in the Home School is officially assigned there by a court, and it is among Pickens' duties to travel the state, consult with judges charged with adjudicating the care of luckless children, take new children to the Home School and get them acquainted, keep

tabs on their case histories, seek adoption for some in private homes where a suitable arrangement can be made.

In Roy Pickens' head are case histories of circumstances involving blameless children which repeat themselves year in and out but seldom come to the attention of the average citizen.

An American Legion Post or Auxiliary Unit in Oklahoma "adopts" each child at the Home School, providing him with spending money, clothes, holiday and birthday presents.

The Ponea City Medical Association gives the children medical attention.

The third week in each March is Home School Week for all Oklahoma Legion Posts and Auxiliary Units, when each one raises funds for the general operation of the Home School.

Through their efforts, the Home School now has an endowment fund of \$80,000 which Oklahoma Legionnaires are seeking to increase in the face of modern costs and needs.

A visitor to the Home School will find the children a happy lot, and hungry for all the love and attention that its wonderful staff can give to so big a family.

He will find too, that the school provides its youngsters with the means to earn their higher education. The older children raise beef cattle, and Shetland ponies, and produce eggs commercially on the premises. The proceeds go into a higher education fund, along with gifts from Legionnaires and other friends of the home, which sends many a Home School graduate on to college. The Home School avoids much of the impersonality of "institutionalism" by the interest of Legionnaires in the children, by the acceptance of the children in Ponca City as fellow citizens, and by a



staff which takes as great a personal interest in each child as possible.

Much of The American Legion's enormous child welfare program is diffuse and abstract and therefore invisible. It exists in needed laws passed, in money spent, in research projects supported, and in thousands of isolated case histories.

A grand total of \$8.6 million was spent on child welfare work by the entire American Legion and the Auxiliary, including the 40&8 and the 8&40, in the 12 months ended May 21 last,

At Ponca City, Oklahoma, the Legionnaires and Auxiliares of Oklahoma have built and maintained on one spot a visible, living show window of what Child Welfare means in The American Legion.

#### **EMPLOYMENT:**

# The Age Block

The American Legion has long waged war against employment practices which make it hard for people to get jobs for reasons that are irrelevant. The area to work in here is in the field of public education — in short constantly call attention to what's right and what's wrong.

One Legion policy is aimed against unreasonable refusals to hire persons based on their advanced (and often not very advanced) years,

To that end, Post 1258, New York City, has just started an annual Bernard M. Baruch Senior-Worker award. It goes to a firm which has a good record in hiring people — regardless of their years — if they can do a job.

This year's award went to the Refined Syrups and Sugars Co. of Yonkers, N.Y.—well over half of whose 500 workers are over age 45.

The Post is the U.S. Department of Labor Post in New York, and its members got Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell to make the award on their behalf — with attendant publicity which drew public attention to what's right and what's wrong in hiring based on age alone.

Many a Legionnaire knows what it's like to be out of a job at any age past 40, and will thank any Post that publicly beats over the head the old job-prejudice against age. That the only way to kill such prejudices.

#### NATIONAL SECURITY:

# Hercules Takes Over

In mid-July, the U.S. Army announced that its Hercules guided missile had passed the testing stage and was on operational duty at some U.S. defense bases, succeeding the Ajax as the top

missile on continental U.S. defense duty.

Both Ajax and Hercules are in the NIKE family. Hercules has greater range, greater speed, can operate at higher altitudes and is more accurate



HERCULES . . . on the job.

than Ajax; uses same sites, installations and ground crews.

Hercules, which can carry an atomic warhead, picks its airborne target electronically, can destroy an entire formation of any manned aircraft capable of flight today or in the near future. The slender, 27 foot missile uses a 14½ foot booster made up of a cluster of four rockets. Both booster and sustainer motor use solid fuels.

## AMERICANISM:

# The U.S. Commies Today

How does The American Legion's Americanism Commission view the status of the Communist Party in the United States today?

Here is a capsule view, presented by Lee Pennington, former FBI agent, assistant director of the Legion's Americanism Commission, and top Legion staff expert on subversive activities, both fascist and communist, in the United States.

Says Pennington:

"The Communist Party, U.S.A. remains a serious menace today. This party is an integral part of the international communist conspiracy and is eagerly working to destroy the American form of government.

"The communists would like nothing better than to hoist the hammer and sickle above the White House and proclaim a soviet America as part of Moscow's world empire.

"Unfortunately, many people in the country today feel that the Communist Party, U.S.A., is no longer a threat.

True, the party is smaller now in membership than during the World War 2 period.

"However, never must communist strength be measured by numbers alone. To do so is to gravely impair our national security. The party can always count on the support of many sympathizers, fellow travelers and unsuspecting dupes. Moreover, the communists are masters at infiltration, seeking to subvert as many noncommunist organizations as possible. In this way, the party is able to exercise an influence far greater than its actual membership.

"In recent years, much of the party's time was spent in factional quarrels. At present, however, pro-Soviet elements, under the leadership of William Z. Foster, have firmly established themselves in control. So-called 'revisionist' groups, which advocated policies which allowed for mild criticism of Soviet actions, were eliminated from positions of control. The result is that the party is today more than ever obedient to Moscow.

"Today, with factionalism abating, the party is devoting full attention to regaining lost ground. In many fields, such as labor unions, religious organizations and civic groups, the communists are seeking to secure stronger footholds.

"Money is being collected; programs of action being instituted; party organizers being trained. Most of today's members are hard-core communists — men and women who served for many years in party underground assignments.

<sup>a</sup>They are highly disciplined, fanatical and determined to fulfill party goals.

"In addition, the party is keenly interested in seeking new recruits. In past months, because of factional problems, party recruiting was temporarily slowed down.

"Today the recruiting tempo is decidedly increasing.

"Among favorite fields of communist recruitment are the nation's young people. The party is deeply interested in the college campuses of the country as well as any type of young people's organization.

"Over the years, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has been in the front line of attack against communist subversion. Its concentrated investigations followed closely the party's maneuvers, both above ground and underground.

"The FBI, along with patriotic groups such as The American Legion, has done great work in alerting the American people to the dangers of this atheistic enemy.

"Today, vigilance must be maintained, Now is not the time to relax. We need but glance at countries across the seas which are today behind the iron curtain. They are tragic examples of communist enslavement. Every patriotic individual must pledge to give freely of his time, talents and energies to fight this menace. The job is everybody's job. Only by an informed public opinion can we preserve our heritage of freedom."

## INSURANCE:

# A Reminder

When The American Legion arranged for its members to procure low-cost life insurance last April, it at the same time quite properly became involved in the watchfulness of the commissioners of insurance in every state.

Insurance is rigidly controlled by law in each state — not only the type of insurance offered, but the promotional material used to publicize it

material used to publicize it.

"For this reason," says Nat'l Adjutant E. A. Blackmore, "it is necessary that all publicity, advertising or other promotional materials or public statements about American Legion Life Insurance be checked through Nat'l Hq in advance."

To spare posts, districts and departments from checking everything, Nat'l Hq is providing already-cleared insurance publicity material to each department.

Not even the best intentions may prevent local Legion officials from running afoul of their own state insurance commissioners if they improvise their own insurance publicity material.

The nationally-supplied material includes written information, advertising copy and speech material — and should be used word-for-word in any state to which it properly applies.

The demand for the low-cost Legion insurance continued in July and August. On the 4th of August, 35,508 Legionnaires had applied; 30,469 certificates had been issued; 301 had been denied and the balance of the applications were still being processed. Five death claims had been paid.

The growing list of certificate-holders is advised that they will be mailed renewal notices well in advance of the new policy year.

December 31 is the renewal deadline in every case.

# SMITH ACT:

# Where Now?

On August 4 the U.S. Court of Appeals in N.Y. threw out the conviction under the Smith Act of six Communist Party officials, on the grounds that their organized advocacy of the overthrow of the U.S. government had taught others only to "believe" in overthrowing the U.S. and not to "do" anything about it.

Whether this leaves anything in the

Smith Act capable of protecting the United States from internal conspiracy to overthrow it illegally at the direction of a foreign power is a moot question.

The cvidence that the six communists had conspired to advocate the over-throw of the United States was insufficient, the Appeals Court held, since the government had not proved that any of them had advocated a specific act of violence against the U.S.

The evidence had identified them as Communist Party officials, organizers, recruiters, pamphleteers; it had identified them as organized advocates of Marxist-Lenínist doctríne — which presumably identified them with advocating the broad scheme of violent overthrow of the U.S. contained in that doctrine.

As this was found to be insufficient, the court's finding presumably means that the Smith Act cannot be an instrument to prevent the recruitment, indoctrination and organization of a conspirational force aimed at violent overthrow of the U.S. from within — but may only be called upon at the point where such an organized force receives its marching orders.

The six communist leaders freed by the court order – following their 1956 convictions—were: Alexander Trachtenberg, former U. S. Communist Party nat'l committeeman and longtime publisher of marxist literature; George B. Charney, acting New York state Communist Party chairman; Sídney Stein, nat'l labor secretary of the U.S. Communist Party; Fred M. Fine, secretary of nat'l affairs of the U.S. Communist Party; William Norman, executive secretary of the New York State Communist Party; and James E. Jackson, Jr., Southern regional director of the U.S. Communist Party.

# **ELECTIONS:**

# Get Out the Vote

On Nov. 4, Americans will elect a brand new Congress — the 86th — as well as numerous state and local officials.

American Legion posts should contribute to the local publicity urging every citizen to exercise his vote, as the ultimate civic responsibility of every citizen in a free nation is to use his ballot to the best of his ability.

Nationally, the American Heritage Foundation is again coordinating a nationwide publicity program urging every eligible voter to register and vote. American Legion is one of many civic groups who back the Heritage Foundation's coordinated program.

The Heritage Foundation has also



# PRINCE ALBERT

added to its campaign a drive to urge every citizen to give a dollar to his own political party. This facet of the campaign has not been considered by the nat'l American Legion, hence is neither approved nor disapproved by the Le-

Legion is 100% behind urging every citizen to register and vote.

## MEMBERSHIP:

# Some Records

By the first week in August, the 1958 membership of five departments of The American Legion constituted their alltime records.

The five departments are New Mexico, North Dakota, Minnesota, Mexico and Puerto Rico. It was the largest number of departments to set all-time records in recent years.

By the first week in August a total of 18 departments had exceeded, for 1958, their total membership for 1957. Latest to join the list were Maryland, Arizona, Philippines, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island and Montana.

Meanwhile, as plans for the 1959 membership year were being organized, a checkup at Nat'l Hq showed that Post 116, Zearing, Iowa had transmitted 82 paid-up memberships for 1959 last June 12, to be the earliest of early birds.

## RECREATION:

# Leadership Noted

The Nat'l Recreation Ass'n has honored three American Legion posts and nine individual Legionnaires with spccial awards for "Outstanding Service to the Field of Recreation.'

Post 7, Frankfort, Ky.; Post 6, Atchison, Kans.; and Post 34, Twentynine Palms, Calif., got nat'l citations for substantial contributions to parks, playgrounds and city recreation programs in their towns.

Individual Legionnaires cited, all of

whom had made distinguished contributions to their community recreation programs, included: Curtis C. Colwell, Caldwell, N.J.; Keiran J. Watters, Glens Falls, N.Y.; Theodore McKinney, Palm Springs, Calif.; Jay Mace, Belview, Minn.; Walter Wessman, Oak Park, Ill.; Robert M. Smith, Kenosha, Wis.; Robert Rose, North Miami, Fla.; James E. Brown, Dalton, Ga.; and Emil Neugebauer, Rahway, N.J.

# SCOUTING:

# A New Tack

Boys Scouts of America have officially announced their new Explorer program, which should vastly widen the horizons of Scouting among older boys, as well as the opportunities for older people to work with Scouts in fields of their own interests.

The new Explorer program calls for the organization of Explorer groups hitched to special interests and activities, without any particular limit on the kind of activity so long as enough boys and adult leaders can be gotten together.

Example: Employees of a chemical company might form an Explorer group of Scouts interested in learning chem-

The program is set to get rolling in the fall. Already, says nat'l Scout Hq., specialized Explorer groups are getting started in such activities as aviation, agriculture, aquatics, automobiling, chemistry, conservation, electronics, fishing, hi-fi, Indian lore, model building, mountain climbing, rockets, space travel and square dancing.

American Legion posts, which by themselves make up one of the biggest sponsoring groups of Boy Scout units, can be instrumental in calling the new Explorer program to the attention of adults in many different fields of endeavor in their communities.

By broadening their program, the Boy

Scouts have opened the door to getting older youth organized in many fields of useful and interesting activities - under adult leaders who have a natural enthusiasm for, and knowledge of, such activities.

#### CIVIL DEFENSE:

# ... and the Legion

Nat'l Cmdr John S. Gleason, Jr., on July 10 announced the appointment of an American Legion nat'l advisory committee on light duty rescue squads for civil defense and disaster relief. Advisory committee includes Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther, Red Cross head: Leo A. Hoegh, director of the U.S. Office of Defense and Civilian Mobilization: Mai. Gen. Ralph J. Olson of the Wisconsin Nat'l Guard and president of the Nat'l Ass'n of State and Territorial Civil Defense Directors; and Walter R. Halstead, president of the U.S. Civil Defense Council.

Committee will assist in steering policies to guide the formation of light duty rescue teams by American Legion posts and Auxiliary units, as part of local civil defense and disaster machinery.

## Women's Activities

Mrs. Norton H. Pearl, who was Nat'l President of The American Legion Auxiliary in 1946-47, has been named acting director of women's activities for the U.S. Office of Defense and Civilian Mobilization. That office, on July 1, was formed to combine the functions of the former Federal Civil Defense Administration and the former Office of Defense Mobilization.

# Streamlining

The passage of HR7576, to streamline the organization of civil defense activities in the United States, was urged before the Senate Armed Services Committee in July by Ray A. Pierce (Texas), chmn of the Legion's nat'l Civil Defense Committee.

The present civil defense set-up

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leaves much to be desired, said Pierce. The bill, which would increase the federal responsibility for the development of civil defense activities, would help to overcome a "paucity of appropriations", a "general indifference", a "lack of uniformity" and a low level of civil defense preparation — all of which are prevalent at present - Pierce stated.

## BRIEFLY NOTED:

• An updated edition of the small, compact booklet: A Brief History of The American Legion, is off the presses and available from Nat'l Emblem Sales Division, American Legion Nat'l Hq. P. O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, Ind., at  $15\phi$  @ - or  $13\phi$  @ in single orders of 100 or

Booklet contains a wealth of essential information about The American Legion in capsule form, valuable not only for Post reference, but for libraries, schools.

 Nat'l Cmdr John S. Gleason, Jr., gave the Legion's support to the action of President Eisenhower in sending Marines to Lebanon. Wired Gleason to the President: "Commend your decisive action in dispatching U.S. military forces to the Middle East in the interest of world peace. Our prayers are with you and with all peace loving people of the carth."

 Biggest outlying post of The American Legion is Post 1, Athens, Greece. An outlying post is attached to no department organization. Athens Post has 767 members. Four other posts in Greeee – at Tripolis, Patras, Canea Crete and Salonica - have a total of 298 members, bringing to 1,065 the number of Legionnaires who belong to outlying posts in Greeee.

## LIFE MEMBERSHIPS:

The citation of an individual Legionnaire to life membership in his Post is a testimonial by those who know him best

Below are listed some of the previously unpublished life memberships that have been reported to the editors. They are arranged by States.

Joseph S. Loug (1949) and James E. Carlsen and Chauncey W. Voorhies (both 1955), Post 79, Riverside, Calif.

Melvin E. Hill and Karl Suyder and John L. Young (all 1958), Post 351, Los Angeles, Calif.

Mary L. Alexander and Lauretta M. Schiummoler (both 1958), Post 678, Los Angeles, Calif.

(both 1958), Post 678, Los Angeles, Calif.
John J. Golden, Sr. and James H. Hickson and
Charles T. Moehring (all 1958), Post 3, Stamford, Conn. Michael J. McDonnell (1958), Post 102, Man-

chester, Conn.

James Atkinson Campbell (1958), Post 5, Rehoboth Beach, Del.

Vincent Boromei and David W. Cassel (both 1958), Post 64, Okeechobee, Fla.

Anna Frances Morse (1958), Post 156, Coral Cables Ela.

Gables, Fla.
Horace L. Ham (1958), Post 270, Port Orange,

that he has served The American Legion

Clyde Jacobus (1952) and David McKay (1953) d S. W. Ash (1955), Post 16, Canton, Ill. William B. Horukohl (1947), Post 359, Chicago,

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C. L. Wiley (1955), Post 802, Chicago, III.
Fred Elkins, Sr. (1958), Post 270, Gary, Ind.
Guy Heston (1955) and Milton J. Hand (1958),
Post 157, Woodburn, Iowa.
Joseph F. Upah (1958), Post 269, Chelsea, Iowa.
J. P. Jones (1958), Post 76, Ashland, Ky.
Thomas Barton and Arthur Greathead (both
1958), Post 116, No. Billerica, Mass.
Aime Richard and Tracey Roberson and Lucien
Rohert and Fulton Rindge (all 1957), Post 123,
Ware, Mass.
Paul Diani and Peter Wagher (both 1958), Post
184, Webster, Mass.

Grandin E. Drake (1958), Post I, Guatemala,

Paul Diani and Feter Wagns, 184, Webster, Mass.

Joseph A, Wetzler (1950) and Lawrence J. Doyle (1951) and James J. Riccinti (1952) and George M. Leary (1953), Post 294, West Quincy, Mass.

Harvey A, Amidon and Vincent Bow and Charles Cheatles, and Carl Olinf Feldit (all 1958), Post

Bradley and Carl Oluf Feldt (all 1958), Post I, Greenville, Mich. Frederick Elmer Kunze (1958), Post 211, East

Tawas, Mich.
Oscar E. Lewis (1958), Post 16, Bagley, Minn.
Leonard G. Carlson (1958), Post 113, Marshall,

Simon O. Post (1950), Post 503, Cottonwood, Minn

Minn.
Richard J. Lee and Harold W. Miller and Ira C.
Miller (all 1958), Post 97, Libby, Mont.
John E. Chritis (1958), Post 3, Lincoln, Nebr.
Mark J. Youngstrom and James Regan (both
1957), Post 263, Silver Creek, Nebr.
Andrew Kerr, Sr. and Edmund G. Lyons (both
1955) and John H. Olson and Ariliur Powers (both
1958), Post 8, Clifton, N.J.
Clarence Peck (1958), Post 129, Toms River,
N.J.
George Tenety (1958), Post 165, Bayonne, N.J.
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Louis C. Gramenstetter and Harold C. Lingerfield (both 1958), Post 241, Glassboro, N.J. Emily Herbert (1958), Post 350, Burlington, N.J. R. Earl Haley (1958), Post 111, Ellenville, N.Y. William H. Lown (1958), Post 429, Rhinebeck, N.Y.

John R. McNaniara (1958), Post 492, Waverly, N.Y.

Henry T. Vlymen and Joseph Ahelson (both 1956) and Thomas E. Crouke (1957), Post 543, New York, N.Y.

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George C. Monagan (1958), Post 603, Rochester, Nicholas J. Ether and Saul Steinlauf (both 1958),

Nicholas J. Ether and Saiil Steillailf (both 1958), Post 712, New York, N.Y. L. C. Farwell (1950) and Robert M. Kaufholz (1958), Post 719, New York, N.Y. S. J. Topping, Jr. (1958), Post 945, New York, N.Y.

Solomon Silverstein (1958), Post 1004, Brooklyn, Jeramiah Cross (1958), Post 1024, New York,

Edward Duffy and Christian Olsen (both 1957), Post 1099, Brooklyn, N.Y. William VonZierolshofen (1958), Post 1663, Croghan, N.Y. Herman J. McLawhorn (1957), Post 39, Green-

ville, N.C.

George Tom Garrett (1952) and L. Gordon
Congleton (1955) and W. Elbridge Smith (1957),
Post 81, Liberty, N.C.

Henry L. Stevens, Jr. (1951), Post 127, Warsaw,

N.C.
Guy B. Bervig and Johan Rossing (both 1953),
Post 30, New Rockford, N. Dak.
Cyrus E. Bowers and Gernon P. Leighow and
Ernest R. Orwig and Herman M. Schwab (all
1957), Post 44, Northumberland, Pa.
Sam Sana and Matthew J. Peiffer and Russell
E. Muench and Nelson Dunlop (all 1956), Post
67, Pottsville, Pa.
Stanley Merook and Joseph Pollack and Thomas
Simmons (all 1952), Post 74, Mahanoy City, Pa.
Stephen M. Berg (1957), Post 78, Philadelphia,
Pa.

Pa.
George L. Black (1957) and Lucius McK. Crimrine (1958), Post 175, Washington, Pa.
John De Capua and Elmer P. Wimmer (both 1958), Post 299, Sharon, Pa.
Harry O. Blum (1958), Post 474, Zelienople, Pa.
Edward C. Kinkead (1957), Post 580, Monaca,

Pa. Rene H. Caron (1956) and Joseph M. Marchesi, Jr. (1958), Post 77, Providence, R.I. Joe B. Friedel (1958), Post 34, Graham, Texas. Harry Sheppard (1957), Post 160, Seattle, Wash. Arthur R. Langholff (1958), Post 166, Fort Atkinson, Wis. Post Commanders or Adjutants are asked to report life membership awards to "Life Memberships," The American Legion Magazine, 720 5th Ave., New York 19, N.Y. Date of award is requested in all cases. Receipt of names cannot be acknowledged.

### PEOPLE IN THE NEWS:

DAN DANIEL, Past Nat'l Cmdr of The American Legion (1956-57), awarded the Star of Italian Solidarity, the highest decoration Italy bestows on foreigners, for his work for international good will.

JARED MADDUX, Lieutenant Governor of Tennessee and Speaker of the Tennessee Legislature, resigned both positions to accept the office of Dep't Cmdr of the Tennessee American Legion.

WARREN E. BAKER, named Adi't of Dep't of Nebraska, succeeding R. C. PAT-TERSON who resigned because of ill

GORDON W. ROSELEIP, Alternate Nat'l Executive Committeeman from Wisconsin, resigned to become a candidate for public office.

H. A. NIELSEN, Past Dep't Cmdr of South Dakota (1953-54)

DAVID B. MULLIKEN, a Founder of The American Legion; at his home in Leonia, N.J.

GRIDLEY ADAMS, director general of the U.S. Flag Foundation, and an authority on the American flag,

J. GEORGE FREDMAN, member of Post 46, Union City, N.J., and Past Nat'l Cmdr in Chief of the Jewish War

# OUTFIT REUNIONS

Reunion will be held in month indicated. For particulars, write person whose address is given,

Notices accepted on official form only. For form send stamped, addressed return envelope to: O. R. Form, American Legion Magazine, 720 Fifth Ave., New York 19, N. Y. Notices must be received at least four months before scheduled reunion.

# Army

3rd Pioneer Inf (WW1)—(Sept.) R. F. Palmquist, 4733 Columbus Ave., Minneapolis 7, Minn. 12th Engrs (L Ry) (WW1)—(Sept.) Charles A. Lieber, 3939 Magnolia Ave., St. Louis 10, Mo. 15th Ranger Co. (Airborne)—(Sept.) M/Sgt. Clifford L. Traxler, National Guard Armory, St. Paul 2 Minn

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23rd Armored Engr Bn, Hq Co-(Sept.) Leonard

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34th Div-(Sept.) Junior F. Miller, 34th Inf. Div. Assn., Red Horse Armory, Des Moines 10, Iowa.

36th Div-(Sept.) Angelo J. Barca, 429 Warburton Ave., Yonkers, N. Y.

39th Engrs (WW1)-(Oct.) Charles M. Karl, 11640 Princeton Ave., Chicago 28, Ill.

41st Inf (WW1)-(Sept.) F. Abrams, 7754 S. Halsted St., Chicago 20, Ill.

45th Div, Eastern Chapter-(Oct.) Maurice Nirenstein, 60-31 255th St., Little Neck 62, N. Y.

51st Pioneer Inf (WW1)-(Sept.) Otto Rauch, 186 Adams St., Delmar, N. Y.

55th CAC (WW1)-(Oct.) Walter E. Jones, 15 Winthrop St., Malden 48, Mass.

82nd Div (WW1)-(Oct.) Edward C. Ellinger, 28 E.

39th St., New York 16, N. Y.

104th Engrs, Co B (WW1)-(Nov.) George F. Seybold, 117 E. Homestead Ave., Collingswood 7, N. J.

N. J.

110th Engrs (WW1)—(Sept.) George T. Raddant,
1708 Baltimore Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

114th Field Sig Bn (WW1)—(Oct.) W. F. Worrell,
Box 154, Ruston, La.

127th Inf—(Oct.) M/Sgt. Carlyle E. Shepro, 276 E.
Scott St., Fond du Lac, Wis.
131st MG Bn (WW1)—(Oct.) C. F. Vickrey, P.O.
Box 826, Frederick, Okla.
139th Inf, Co D (AEF)—(Oct.) Ben Taylor, Box
65, Independence, Kans.
142nd Inf, Co H (WW1)—(Oct.) Capt. H. Craig,
Box 582, Childress, Tex.
161st Inf (WW1)—(Nov.) Wally Sproul, 201 City
Hall, Spokane 1, Wash.

# THE AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS JUNE 30, 1958

# ASSETS

 Cash on hand and on deposit
 \$ 277,740.77

 Receivables
 245,766.85

 Inventories
 525,919.74

 Invested Funds
 1,161,275.25

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 Real Estate
 804,990.15

 Furniture and Fixtures,
 340,367.18

 Less Depreciation
 340,367.18

 Deferred Charges
 269,887.88

LIABILITIES, DEFERRED REVENUE AND NET WORTH

 Current Liabilities
 \$ 356,304,63

 Funds restricted as to use
 29,992.08

 Deferred Income
 1,456,745,93

Deferred income
Trust Funds:
Overseas Graves Decoration
Trust Fund ....\$ 257,883.11
Employees Retirement
Trust Fund .... 2,511,270.14
2,769,153.25

Net Worth:
Reserve Fund ....\$
Restricted Fund ... 24,185,11

Real Estate ..... Reserve for Rehabilitation ..... 804,990.15 466,436,78

Reserve for Child Welfare ..... 25,078.28 \$1,340,588.96

Unrestricted Capital .....

442,316.22 1,782,905.18

174th Inf—(Sept.) Lester W. Grawunder, 184 Connecticut St., Buffalo 13, N. Y.
319th Engrs—(Sept.) Kenneth S. Thomson, 1335 Garden Lane, Menlo Park, Calif.
320th Inf—(Sept.) Mahlon S. Weed, Box 1001, Kansas City, Kans.
322nd FA (WW1)—(Sept.) L. B. Fritsch, P.O. Box 324, Hamilton, Ohio.
323rd Light FA (WW1)—(Oct.) Edward C. Ifft, 1306 Eighth Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.
322nd Inf. Co I (WW1)—(Sept.) Fred Heimann, 17th St., Ext. SW., Massillon, Ohio.
338th MG Bn, Hq Co (WW1)—(Oct.) Ross A. Bowers, Potomac, Ill.
339th FA, Btry D—(Sept.) Ben F. Miller, Osceola, Iowa.

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363rd Inf, Co D (WW1)—(Sept.) Joseph M. Cahen, 2140 Wawona St., San Francisco, Calif.
389th FA Bn—(Oct.) G. M. Goetze, Charlottesville Road, Newfane, N. Y.
485th Engr Combat Bn—(Sept.) Alvin, L. Frank, 2204 S. College St., Springfield, Ill.
611th OBAM Bn (304th Ord Reat B, 2nd Bn)—(Sept.) Laurence W. Jenkins, 370 St. Lawrence Ave., Buffalo 23, N. Y.
719th Ry Operating Bn—(Sept.) Milton C. Jones, 757 E. 16th St., Houston 8, Tex.
904th Ord HAM Co—(Oct.) Ernest Cronkright, 2254 Godwin Ave., SE., Grand Rapids 7, Mich.
Ambulance Co 334 (WW1)—(Sept.) H. R. Bartholomew, P.O. Box 74, Bluffs, Ill.
Los Angeles MP Organization—(Oct.) Victor De Petro, 5813 S. Natoma, Chicago, Ill.

# Navy

1st Marine Aviation Force (WW1)—(Nov.) Gustave A. Peterman, Box 209-A, R. D. 1, Englewood, Fla.
6th Seabees—(Oct.) James S. Trainer, Steelville,

# Air

1st Air Service Mechanics Regt, Co 6 (AEF)— (Oct.) Edwin Lord, 11 Otis St., Everett 49, Mass. 21st Engr Regt (Avn), Co B—(Sept.) Joseph W. McDermott, 264 Tulpehocken Ave., Elkins Park

17, Pa. 463rd Aero Sqdn (WW1)–(Oct.) W. B. Scarrow, P.O. Box 6, Goodland, Kans.

# **COMRADES** IN DISTRESS

Readers who can help these comrades are urged to do so.

Notices are run at the request of The American Legion Nat'l Rehabilitation Commission. They are not accepted from other sources.

Readers wanting Legion help with claims should contact their local service officers.

Service officers unable to locate needed witnesses for claims development should refer the matter to the Nat'l Rehabilitation Commission through normal channels, for further search before referral to this column.

# Army

Gorgas Hospital, Panama, C. Z. — Need to learn the whereabouts of Dr. Edwin W. Brown, who was at this hospital in June 1942 and is thought to have practiced in Cleveland, Ohio. I served with the 5th Inf, Co F. Write me, Curley P. Pousson, Box 14, R.D. 1, Iota, La. Claim pending.

## Navy

Recife, Brazil, Hospital — In 1944 I suffered head, eye, and back injuries in a motorcycle accident. Although a member of the Army Air Forces' 2002nd AAF BU, I was treated at this hospital by a naval doctor who placed clamps above my right eye to close the wound. Now need to find the doctor. Write me, Rohert N. Mausteller, 17 Wauayanda Ave., Middletown, N. Y. Claim, pending. N.Y. Claim pending.

N.T. Claim bending.

USS Mastin-Need to hear from anyone who remembers Joe Demos Sanchez, Jr., who served aboard this ship from May 1943 to Nov. 1945. Especially need to locate the pharmacist's mate who treated him for stomach and ulcer condition in summer of 1945. Write George W. Wright, Jr., El Paso County Veterans Service Officer, 607 Exchange Natl. Bank Bldg., Colorado Springs, Colo. Claim pending.

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only to the children of veterans (who, incidentally, comprise 55 percent of the Nation's children). The La Verne Noyes Scholarships, for example, were set up in 49 colleges and universities exclusively for veterans of World War I and their blood descendants. Some scholarships have been provided for children of deceased or disabled veterans, others for children of veterans of specific military units.

Typical of the latter is that offered by the Second Marine Division Association to dependent children of men who served in that division or in units attached to it and who lost their lives in the service of the United States or as a direct result of such service. This scholarship is worth as much as \$400 per year for not more than four years. Numerous other scholarship funds have been created by veterans of other military units, such as those of the 14th Air Force, the 37th Division, etc.

In addition to these scholarships, there are thousands of others provided specifically for children of veterans by the Federal Government, by States, individuals, private foundations, often by Legion Posts, Auxiliary Units, the Forty and Eight, and Eight and Forty.

Forty-four States and the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico offer some form of educational assistance to children of veterans.

And a Federal law, enacted at the Legion's urging, furnishes monetary aid to additional thousands of youngsters. This measure, the War Orphans Educational Assistance Act (Public Law 634 of the 84th Congress) provides as much as \$110 per month for a maximum of 36 months of education or training for young men and women whose fathers died of injuries or diseases resulting from military service in World War I, World War II, or the Korean War.

Ironically, and despite anguished cries from certain quarters that many competent but pauperized youngsters cannot obtain the advanced education that they desire and should have, figures compiled by the Legion's Committee on Education and Scholarships show that only 6,136 war orphans had entered educational training under provisions of this act as of January 1, 1958. Thus less than 21 percent of the 30,000 eligible orphans of college age are utilizing the liberal benefits which this law makes available to them.

Financial assistance is also available to young men and women who were orphaned by World War II and who are not eligible for aid under the War Orphans Educational Assistance Act. Thus there are, in effect, scholarships for those for whom no other scholarship is pro-

vided! These are the Maud E. Warwick Scholarships, set up by the terms of that lady's will for those who are not entitled to receive adequate financial aid from the Government. This fund also provides financial assistance for graduate study.

The activities of the Federal Government in the field of education are extensive, generous, and all too little known. This is particularly true of the several educational aid programs of the Armed Forces. The academies of the Army, Navy, and Air Force, for instance, all have a number of appointments specifically for boys whose fathers died as a result of military service in World War I, World War II, or the Korean War. The Coast Guard Academy fills its ranks with young men from among those who have passed a nation-wide competitive examination.

Some of the newer programs offered by the Armed Forces appear to be ideally designed to solve the financial problems that higher education poses for many young Americans and their families. The Army Student Nurse Program, for example, makes it possible for young ladies to complete their nursing education and receive the pay of an enlisted member of the WAC while doing so. In return, they must serve on active duty as commissioned officers of the Army Nurse Corps for specified periods after their graduation. A similar scheme is open to students of dietetics.

But perhaps the most attractive of all the programs offered by the armed services is the Regular Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps Program. The opportunities it offers young men are almost unbelievably excellent. Basically, it provides that young men — approximately 2,000 per year — who pass the required entrance examinations will be sent to a college of their choice for the full four-year course, and that upon graduation they will serve four years as commissioned officers in the Navy or Marine Corps.

At college — and the midshipmen may attend any one of 52 approved schools, which include State-supported universities as well as denominational institutions — they may take almost any course leading to a degree. (Exceptions include dentistry, dramatics, poultry husbandry, etc.) The Government pays the tuition, foots the bill for books and fees, and gives each student \$50 per month toward his board and room!

Another tremendous reservoir of scholarships is provided by the various schools and colleges themselves. At



Yeshiva University in New York, for example, approximately \$850,000 was spent in the 1957-58 academic year in scholarship aid to 87 percent of the student body. Stanford University has established a \$1,000,000 fund to provide scholarships for needy students. Catholic University of America offers a full tuition scholarship, valued at \$2,640 and good for a four-year college course, to each of the 26 Catholic archdiocesan provinces in the United States. Virtually every school and college in the country offers some form of scholarship aid.

A host of business corporations furnish the funds for additional thousands of scholarships. International Business Machines Corporation has announced a program that will spend \$250,000 annually when it is in full operation. Called the Thomas J. Watson Memorial Scholarship Program, it will provide 50 four-year scholarships annually on a competitive basis. Twenty-five will be for children of IBM employees, and 25 will go to other high school seniors in public, private, and parochial schools throughout the Nation.

The Radio Corporation of America has set up 30 scholarships to encourage students to become teachers of science and mathematics in high schools. They will be awarded at 20 different teacher training colleges in 16 States where the shortage of science and mathematics teachers is most acute. Twenty of them will provide annual grants of \$800 each; the remaining ten will carry grants of \$250 each.

The Johnson and Johnson Company has set aside \$75,000 a year for the past two years for scholarships to be awarded to winners of an essay contest which the firm sponsors. The money is put into insurance policies which pay off when the youngster who was named as recipient by the contest winner reaches his 21st birthday. Top prize is \$10,000.

Hundreds of other corporations also give scholarships each year. The number is growing, and will probably continue to grow.

Among the many American Legion Posts and Auxiliary Units that help further the education of deserving youngsters is the Willard E. Hensley Post 102 of Morristown, Indiana (pop. 800).

In this Post's program high school pupils become candidates in a scholar-ship "election" and sell ballots to townspeople who vote for the candidate of their choice. Candidates, incidentally, are nominated by a faculty committee from the local high school and are seniors in the upper bracket of the class.

Post 102 guarantees a minimum amount, \$350, for the scholarships each year; the rest of the money comes from the sale of ballots.

The Legion's Committee on Educa-

tion and Scholarships has prepared a pamphlet showing how this plan works and how it can serve as a pattern for other Posts or Units, and will gladly supply the pamphlet to any Post or Unit which requests it. (Address: Scholarship Information Service, The American Legion, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis 6, Ind.)

Other Legion organizations — Departments, Districts, etc. — also donate scholarships. Within the past two years *The American Legion Magazine* has reported some of these scholarship ac-



tivities. Among them: Department of Vermont has increased its annual dues by  $25\phi$  in order to raise money for scholarships for veterans' children; Post 423, Mt. Carmel, Illinois, has for two years provided \$500 for scholarships for two children of veterans; Department of South Dakota lends amounts up to \$500 to veterans' children for education beyond high school; Post 26, Mountain Home, Idaho, sponsors a \$500 scholarship for a graduate of the local high school.

In addition to these and uncounted similar awards by other Legion groups, the Legion's National Organization has given away more than \$130,000 in cash for scholarships as prizes in the Legion National Oratorical Contest; still more thousands of dollars have been awarded to local contest winners by Departments, Districts, and Posts.

Other scholarships are set up specifically to help certain groups of people. Soon after the Hungarian Revolution of 1956, for instance, numerous scholarships were established in this country for refugees who had fled the red tyranny. Examples: A Cornell alumna gave \$16,000 in scholarship aid for Hungarian women refugees at that institution; full tuition scholarships in each of the eight schools of Georgetown University are offered to Hungarian refugees.

Almost everywhere you look there is

evidence that scholarships are plentiful. Conclusive proof of this comes in the form of advertisements offering for sale books, pamphlets, catalogs, etc., which list scholarships and instructions on how to obtain them. When people realize that scholarship information is a product that can be sold, then even the skeptics must admit that there are multitudes of scholarships. (Some of these directories might be worth looking into.)

Nevertheless, the problem of finding a scholarship is not usually a simple one. It may prove quite difficult, but it is solvable.

Don't be dissuaded by those who tell you that the only scholarships that go begging are those that demand some off-beat genealogical or other requirement of the applicant. It's true that quite a few scholarships have been set up for Indian maidens, or for people who have a particular family name. But these are in the minority. It's equally true that competition may be stiff for many scholarships — but that's only one more reason why you should start planning, looking, and applying early.

After a youngster has started college, he may be able to help pay the costs by working at a part-time job or by borrowing money from a student loan fund such as are available at most colleges. The important thing is to get *started* in college — additional ways of obtaining money will then be available to many young people.

Equally as important as finding the proper scholarship is finding it in time. Fully 60 percent of the applications received by the Legion's Scholarship Information Service arrive too late to do the applicant any good. At least 20,000 scholarships worth more than \$4,000,000 were available but not used in 1956, according to a survey taken by the U. S. Office of Education.

Those looking for scholarship aid would do well to heed the words of Legion Child Welfare Director Randel Shake who notes: "In the past many students have waited until the end of their senior year in high school before attempting to obtain scholarship or other educational assistance. Through long experience, the Child Welfare Division has found that October or November is the right time to start looking and applying for scholarships for the following September."

The essential thing is to begin planning as early as possible — preferably in the junior year of high school. Plan your search systematically. Try not to overlook any possibility, however remote. Don't give up if you fail to find just the right scholarship at just the right school on your first try. Keep at it. There are so many scholarships for qualified people that your chances of finding one for your child are good indeed. THE END

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gratefully. He passed his bottle of wine to us.

"You are English?" he queried.

"No, American," was our reply.

"Oh, you mean Canadian?" he guessed. "No, not Canadian, we are from the United States."

He seemed as puzzled as the people in the street. "But how did you get here to Brussels?'

"With the American Army, of eourse." We filled the glasses the barmaid had brought us and toasted his health.

"Pardon me for seeming so stupid," he persisted, "but how could you eome here with the Army of the United States? There is no American Army in Europe. The Germans told us so only yesterday before they left."

The situation suddenly became quite clear. We were the advance agents of an army that was not supposed to exist. The German Army had kept the people of occupied Belgium in complete ignorance up to the moment they evacuated.

A few facts and figures soon brought the old gentleman up to date. When the statistics reached 2,000,000, he rose to his feet and announced the news to everyone in the place. He stepped to the door and shouted to the people in the street. The place became a seething mass of hilariously happy Belgians. They pumped our hands and pinched our arms and cheeks. The women, all ages, kissed us and pulled buttons from our uniforms for souvenirs. Bottles of wine and invitations of all sorts were showered on us. One fascinating female insisted that we immediately eome home for dinner, but we were playing the field.

When the elamor had quieted down a little, we looked at the accumulation of bottles on our table and decided we would not see much of Brussels if we stayed there. Also we felt that our show was in the wrong playhouse. The spirit of the wine was in our blood with the urge to go places. If we were such redhot numbers for adulation and lionization, we should take the lions to greater eoliseums. The whole city was eelebrating with unrestrained happiness, and it was all ours for the moment.

Squeezing our way into the street was not easy. We lost Sherm in the confusion. He must have accepted one of the invitations. The bright lights of the city beekoned, but our progress was slow. The ery "Soldats Américains" spread

ahead of us. I started to give everything in my pockets to the souvenir-hunting females to save my buttons and keep my uniform from falling off. And kisses the beautiful girls of Brussels are really emotional.

The balance of the evening must have been epochal in the history of the Belgian nation. But as the wine flowed, the details became more eonfused. However, as large as the evening was, it was only a warmup for the big day which followed.

Sherm and I woke up in our ambulanee the next morning. How we got there we will never know. He did not have much to say about his lone adventures of the night. In fact, all he would say was, "Oh boy, oh boy, what a night." Knowing Sherm, some of the fairest sprouts of Brussels must still remember him fondly.

An invitation to breakfast at a nearby home was more than welcome. The hot food made our caps fit our large heads a little better. A gift of five eans of army eorned beef made our hostess ery with joy. She had not had so much meat for

When we returned to our ambulance,





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means less wear, constant headspace. Ex- pump-action shotguns.

we found that the rest of our company's vehicles were gone. Sergeant Goeghan was waiting to tell us where to go. He described a parking area in the center of the city.

"How do we get there?" I asked.

"Right straight ahead to Times Square, or whatever they call it."

"Wow!" I said. "This is going to be fun."

Up ahead the various army units were emerging from their staging areas into the main artery which led to our destination.

The big parade was underway!

We drove to a cross street where a unit of French infantry was coming into the line of march. We followed behind them, and at the next corner a battery of British field artillery turned in behind us. Their commander sputtered when he saw us and followed along with a puzzled look on his face.

By this time the sidewalks were packed with noisy, celebrating spectators. Ahead we could see two endless columns of massed humanity separated by a narrow lane down the middle of the street — just enough clear space for the parade to pass.

Whether we wanted to be or not, we were in the parade. Our bullet- and shrapnel-scarred ambulance, covered with layers of battlefield mud, bore no resemblance to the spit and polish of a parade and review. The American Army might not be proud of us, but the packed columns of people gave us no choice. It was impossible to turn off without running down scores of people.

Except for our one disreputable note, the parade was a stupendous sight. The flags of all the Allied Nations gaily colored the North Sea breeze. The crack bands of the armies exulted in the fervor of the day. The marching and rolling battalions gleamed with the pride of the championship of the world so recently and so valiantly proven.

It soon became apparent that we were no longer strangers. The news about the American Army had spread. We were receiving an ovation.

"Vive L'Amérique! Vive L'Amérique!" was the chorus of the multitude. It thundered down the canyon of the street and reverberated from the walls of the buildings behind the crowds. A gendarme told us that we were the first Americans in the parade.

We were stealing the show!

The courageous, great-hearted Belgian people were releasing their long-pent emotions in a spontaneous outburst of gratitude to our American nation. And we — and our bedraggled, dirty ambulance, with the letters U.S. on the sides — were the recipients. We sat tall and proud and as dignified as possible. Whenever our forward movement was halted, the crowd swarmed around to form enthusiastic welcoming committees.

It was fascinating to watch the wave of emotion roll along with us. It began to develop about midway of the French unit ahead, reached full crescendo as we passed, and subsided well behind us.

The immaculate British outfit following us was not getting any cheers at all,

and they were not a bit happy about it. Their commander decided to take action. He galloped his horse alongside and inquired whether we were a representative unit. I did not want to lie to him. His red-faced wrath was in full flower, and he could train one of his field pieces on us and blast us out of the parade. I had my orders; so we ignored him in a military manner - eyes straight ahead, driving at attention. He ordered us to leave the line of march. This obviously was impossible. King George himself could not have removed that ambulance from the procession without a lot of help. He was making himself unpopular with our public, and they shouted him down. So we rolled along in the glory of our hour of triumph.

After a while the strain of maintaining a dignified manner, befitting our suddenly exalted station in life, became too much to bear. We relaxed and assumed the role of goodwill ambassadors, laughing and waving to the crowd, particularly the pretty girls. This seemed to increase the enthusiasm which grew louder and louder as we progressed. The "vive la" chorus had evolved into a rhythmic paean, with the gendarmes serving as cheer leaders. At one point a crowd of teen-age boys hopped on our front bumper and running boards and gave us an enthusiastic escort until they were chased by a gendarme.

As we bore down upon the heart of the city, the reaction of King Albert and General Pershing in the reviewing stand began to worry me. Up ahead I saw an American soldier. He was not shouting "Vive L'Amérique!" It was Captain Gill, who stood at the edge of the crowd quietly sizing up the situation. Always the skillful tactician, he quickly went into action. Calling all gendarmes within sight and hearing, he put them to work opening a lane to get us out of the parade. It was a hard job; the gendarmes were crying "Vive L'Amérique" as they pushed back the reluctant people. But the captain's vigorous air of command swayed the mob to his will, and we turned regretfully away from our host of admirers.

I never learned what sort of a reception the official American representation received. I wonder if the spontaneous enthusiasm of the people was due to the evident fact that our ambulance, a vehicle of mercy, had come direct from the battlefield, still bearing the mud and scars of battle. Probably our appearance, in contrast with our swank fellow paraders, tensed the Belgian heartstrings, which we touched with a resounding twang. Maybe it was a pity the King missed us. He might have awarded us a medal by popular vote of the people. On the other hand, he might have awarded us a visit to the guardhouse.



"And now, in your own words, will you tell the court just how you were able to avoid paying income taxes for 17 years?"

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# YOUR PERSONAL AFFAIRS

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women: The shortage of secretaries continues unabated — and will remain that way for many years. Reasons: Early marriages, colleges, and the low birth rate of the 1930's are decimating the ranks of the eligibles. Moreover, high civilian demand is coupled with the increasing secretarial needs of the Government, thus insuring a very sturdy prop under wages.

Reminder: Don't let your youngster conk out of high school. That much

classroom work is an absolute must.

The North is calling tourists and sportsmen in these two new sectors:

• The Mackinac Bridge area. A five-mile span now links Michigan with the Upper Michigan Peninsula at the Straits of Mackinac. For a toll of \$3.25 (which includes car and passengers), motorists have a much quicker access to the rugged playlands of Northern Michigan and Western Ontario.

• St. Lawrence Seaway power sites. A new dam system has created a huge lake near Massena, N.Y. (and Morrisburg, Ont., in Canada) that's expected to draw millions as accommodations are built up. There'll be yatching and fishing galore (black bass, pike, muskie).

Happily the cost of living has started to level out of late. Yet one component — medical care — continues its painful march upward.

So now hospitalization insurance is starting to go up, too. Take for example, the huge New York Blue Cross setup:

Last year this association had to dip into its reserves to the tune of about \$15,000,000 to make ends meet. Faced with a \$28,000,000 drain this year, it petitioned for a 40-percent rate hike and was granted 22.3 percent (which goes into effect this month).

As for the hospitals themselves, they're sadly in need of financial medicine, too. For one thing, they are the *victims* of *increasing* popularity. And since they usually do business at a per capita loss, the more customers they get the deeper they go into the red.

Motorists may get a slight break in their liability insurance. Chances are they won't detect it, but nevertheless this is what's happening:

Competition among the major insurance companies is causing them to review their "production" cost formulas (commissions, overhead, etc.). A 20-percent saving may be possible, thus creating a cushion for the impact of future payouts.

Overall, though, auto insurance rates still are climbing. The insurance companies point to expensive repairs on wrap-around windshields, tail fins, elaborate rear assemblies, electrical gadgets, and bumpers which are "more ornamental than functional." Latest to join the higher premium parade: New Hampshire, Oregon, Puerto Rico, Vermont, Washington, and Wyoming.

Bright spot: Maine, where rates will be cut about 2 percent.

Two months ago *The American Legion Magazine* described how you virtually can *live your life on credit* ("Credit for Everybody," July, p. 12). Since then, that field has seen several more fast moves:

As predicted in the article, *American Express Co.* (travelers checks, money orders, etc.) is starting a credit-card plan that covers hotels, restaurants, transportation, and just about every chargeable convenience both here and abroad. Fee: \$6 a year.

Meantime credit plans have been coming so thick and fast that *mergers and* consolidations seem inevitable. In making its start, American Express acquired Gourmet Guest Club (with a membership of 45,000).

Notes of the month:

Detroit's 1959 offerings will start appearing in a few weeks — earlier than usual and in many cases bigger than before . . . . . Meantime Japan has entered the small-car sales race in the U.S. with a 2,000-lb., 34-hp. job called Datsun. The Datsun announcement states: "The ready availability of skilled Japanese Technicians at moderate wages enables the Datsun to sell for \$1799 in the U.S."

- Edgar A. Grunwald



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# ROD AND GUN CLUB

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WE TOLD YOU ABOUT trekking to the Bahamas in May after the big fish that are reputed to headquarter off those British islands. The report was true: We caught a little of everything—wahoo, amberjack, sailfish, three kinds of tuna, dolphin, barracuda, marlin, and many of the so-called lesser food fish like grouper, snapper, and rockfish. Superb is the word for Bahamas fishing. And if you go during the late spring or summer, off-tourist months, rates are down on everything from food to hotels. The islands offer 70,000 square miles of fishing. The line-dunker's paradise.

YOUR BEAR HUNTING GUIDE is available free from Outdoor Vacations, Inc., 103 Guitar Bldg., Columbia, Mo. It lists 20 of the best bear hunting facilities in North America. Outdoor Vacations arranges hunting trips anywhere, Write Buck Rogers at above address for the Guide and more information.



**ILLUSTRATED ABOVE** is not a new kind of hacksaw or some strange innovation in power tools. It is a handgun—Russian version. The Russkies turned up with such contraptions at the 1956 Olympics, and with them they trounced the field, including the U.S. team. Subsequently, experts ruled that henceforth this sort of hardware would not be permitted, but by that time the trophies for handgun marksmanship were safely behind the Iron Curtain.

Taking steps to prevent a recurrence of the humiliation we suffered at the hands of the Reds, High Standard Manufacturing Corp. set to work on a new pistol for top-rung competition. The results were unveiled a few months ago and met with an enthusiastic reception. The new models have fully adjustable triggers, muzzle brakes, barrel weights, and other features. And now, armed with the new improved High Standards, an American team is on its way to challenge the Russians as this is written. The team consists of Sgt. 1/c Aubrey Smith, USA; M/Sgt. H. T. Benner, West Point pistol coach; Capt. William McMillan, USMC; and 1st Lt. David Miller, USA.

This time, it is expected, the scores will be somewhat different from what they were at the Olympics.

WHEN THAT GOOD FISH STRIKES, set the hook hard, and play the game carefully, remembering to keep the line taut at all times. Do not horse the fish in. The fun of landing the fish will come with letting him make his strong runs on a tight line, then playing him in, reeling in as he tires. Good fishermen take their time; the impatient kind who play fish by their wristwatch often lose their fish.

J. JENNINGS, of The American Legion Rifle Team, was top marksman in the Inter-City Rifle League shoot at Omaha, Nebr. Jenning's average score was 377.867. Bill Scheibel, of Creighton University, was second with 377.813. John Ehrlick, of Omaha Rifle Club, was third with 377.692; and Roland Penfield, of Packers Rifle Club, was fourth with 377.600.

Creighton University ROTC A Rifle Team captured first place in the league with a 14-2 record. Packers Rifle Club was tied with the same score, but lost in the shoot-off 1890-1856.

THE FOLLOWING FROM Pennsylvania shows what is happening in the bow and arrow world. We are told that nearly 14,000,000 people are now pulling the bowstring, and that the sport is so popular that it is being added to the next Olympic Games.

Bow and arrow hunters purchased 55,172 licenses to hunt deer in Pennsylvania during their separate, either-sex whitetail season in 1957. This number more than doubles the 26,240 licenses sold to archers for the special bucks-only season last year.

The number of deer killed by the bowmen also establishes a Commonwealth record. The breakdown by sex has not been made, but the total bag reported to November 20 numbered 1,275. (Of this number Pennsylvanians accounted for 1,208 deer; nonresidents for 67.) In the archers' 1956 antlered deer season bow and arrow hunters reported they took 224 legal bucks.

Other States are also reporting fantastic upswings in the sport.

**SEVERAL READERS** have posed a tough question: How many animals are living today? We suspect these are grade schoolers at their fathers' magazines and we may be doing a little illegal homework, but we've dug up part of the answer. Animals are divided into two classifications or groups: those with backbone, and those without. The animals without backbones, including the insects, mollusks, worms, sponges and other lowly creatures, far outnumber the vertebrates. It is conservatively estimated that there are some 600,000 species of living animals known to science, and only about 55,000 of these species have backbones.

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**IN ANSWER TO SOME** recent questions: A fish's age can be read by a microscopic study of the scales. For every year the fish has lived a small ring is added.

## THE BROWNING ARMS COMPANY,

Ogden, Utah, has a dandy new gun catalog that, in addition to containing all the dope on the company's guns, has the most up-to-date and helpful information on all phases of shotgunning that we have ever seen. The catalog is free for the asking from Browning.

THOSE BRIGHT-EYED arms manufacturers at Savage Arms, Chicopee Falls, Mass., tell us that they have placed that excellent rifle, the 110, on the market in some additional popular calibers. One of the smoothest bolt-action rifles I have ever squeezed a trigger on, the 110 (or, more technically, the 110 Mc) with that classic short action and the Monte Carlo stock can now be had in the .243 and .308 calibers, for our money two of the most versatile calibers made today. This rifle can still be purchased with the regular action in the .270 and .30-06 calibers. Price: \$109.75.

SPEAKING OF RIFLES, Neil White, Sunset Ave., Tupper Lake, N. Y., has a neat one to protect the rifle butt. "I hunt and trap near Racquette River and at times there is snow everywhere. While making the rounds of my traplines I often have to set my rifle in the snow. I have found that taping a plastic bag over the stock from the butt to the grip helps to protect the wooden stock from water and rot."

ALBERT J. VALENIA, of 56 E. Main St., Glen Lyon, Pa., sends in this poison ivy cure. Al says it's an old one around his diggings, but it may be new to others. "For quick relief, take a warm bath using a bar of yellow laundry soap, It works."

**D. W. SHIRA,** of 3033 Alcott St., San Diego 6, Calif., takes a pint of pure grain spirits of alcohol with him on hunting and fishing trips. He uses it to start a motor when there's water in the gasoline, to start a camp fire when twigs are wet, and to cleanse wounds.

**PAUL OVERTON**, Wadesboro, N. C., tells us he has found that the best way to keep the hands warm on cold days is to get a tube of camphor ice, heat the hands over the stove, and apply the ice generously, rubbing it in well. This will last for several hours, according to Mr. Overton, and will keep the hands warmer than gloves. It can also be used to keep the toes warm, he says.



On the subject of tubes, we have found it handy to pack one of rubber cement and one of toothpaste when we head for the outdoors. The toothpaste one is handy to squirt into game- or fish-dirty hands to remove the smell quickly, and the rubber cement will help start a fire faster than anything you ever saw. A few squeezes of the rubber liquid on and under the wood, add a match, and you'll have a hot fire almost instantly.

-Jack Denton Scott

If you have a helpful idea that pertains to hunting or fishing, send it along. If we can use it, we'll reward you with a hunting or fishing accessory. Address: Outdoor Editor, The American Legion Magazine, 720 Fifth Avenue, New York 19, New York.

# HOW TO MAKE A SPORTSMAN OUT OF YOUR WIFE

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to help her overcome the shyness and timidity she will feel on tackling a new activity. If possible, praise her publicly, and make your corrections privately. Lay off the kidding and ridicule and practical jokes if you really want her to enjoy the sport. She is not along for comic relief.

Probably the most important precaution is to avoid frightening your wife. Stay away from fast, deep streams with tricky bottoms for that first trout-fishing trip. On open water keep your boat clear of rough inlets, and stay home in bad weather. Don't wander into strange country where you are likely to become uncertain of direction. She'll spot your lack of assurance and become alarmed. Never leave her alone for a private exploration of the country or stream. Every cracking twig is an approaching horror to her, and each moment you are away is agony.

Most experts on the outdoors advise men against trying really to "rough it." This advice is even more pertinent when your wife is along. If you're sleeping out, make sure you have enough equipment so that you can both keep warm and dry and can get a good night's rest. Keep the campsite neat and tidy, and, above all, be sure that the food is adequate in quantity and quality. Women will not tolerate the swill a lot of outdoorsmen dish up. It's instinctive for your wife to want to see that you are properly fed (you lucky guy). So, if she offers, let her do the cooking, which she can do

better than you, even in the field. To compensate, you should clean the fish, make and maintain a good fire, and do more than your share of the cleaning up afterwards. Nor is it fair for you to fish or hunt or nap while the lady is slaving over your chow. If there's nothing you can do to help at the moment, stick around anyway. She wants your company. That's why she's there. But if your wife is to do the cooking, spare her a lot of unasked advice and instruction.

These rules are easy to follow, and with few exceptions they will convert your wife. You then gain two tremendous advantages: you get out more oftcn, without that guilty feeling about lcaving your wife alone; and your pleasure will be multiplied by sharing it with

Now - a few words for the wives. Many girls take a lighthearted, flippant view of their first hunting or fishing trip, or their first cruise on a small boat. It's all strange to them, and in many ways ridiculous. They watch their menfolk with the tolerant amusement with which women usually precede the statement: "Boys will be boys" or "Some men never grow up." Flippancy can be fun up to a point. After that, it's intolerable. Only a few sailors, hunters, or fishermen are casual about their sport. Most of them take it darned seriously. If you are not sure when to stop, lcave the flippancy for another occasion. Not just so you'll be invited again (you may not care), but because you'll spoil the day for the men.









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No male enjoys appearing silly in the eyes of an attractive woman, even if it's his wife.

When you are hunting with dogs, resist the temptation to play with or pet them, however great your admiration and affection. A trained hunting dog is an animal entirely different from a house dog. He may not be used to fondling, and you should respect his dignity. Do not object or show distress over proper disciplining of the dog when he forgets his training. Toleration of sloppy performance on the part of a gun dog can ruin him.

Similarly, try not to be noticeably squeamish over dead game or fish. If you concentrate on the crumpled bundle of feathers that was a free-flying duck, or on the softness of a deer's eyes, you imply a moral reproof of the slayers. A lamb's eyes are soft, too, and the lamb is the Biblical symbol of innocence and harmlessness - yet you serve roasts and chops without a second thought. Remember that all game is a crop, supported and often planted by funds supplied in one way or another by the sportsman. It is a crop, too, which must be harvested from time to time if it is not to destroy its own environment.

Thus far, I have considered only those women to whom the outdoor sports are new. There are also thousands—perhaps millions – of women who have become expert at hunting and fishing, champions at sailing. I know an embarrassing number who can outshoot, outfish, and outsail me. The practical psychologists who write advice to married and unmarried women on how to get and hold a husband would, I think, be unanimous in warning women not to outdo men in what is traditionally a man's sport. If you go hunting and fishing in order to hold your man, this is good advice. If you practice these pastimes because you like them yourself, you can exert all your skill without risking your man, provided you employ elementary diplomacy. Women, I believe, welcome the so-called Battle of the Sexes, Men, on the other hand, do not - probably because they usually lose.

Be careful not to instruct or advise a less skillful male. If your bag or creel is fuller than that of a male companion, don't crow about it the way men josh one another over their sporting skill. Here is an area where a man cannot forget that you are a woman, and his self-esteem will be deeply hurt. 'T aint fair, maybc, but it's true—and there are no exceptions. Above all, be careful not to take the least unfair advantage on shots or fishing locations.

I remember once in my romantic youth taking a girl friend on a deer hunt. I made no attempt to get a deer myself. I was guide, gun bearer, and beater. Finally, I set her on a deer run and at great personal risk succeeded in driving a buck almost up to the muzzle of her rifle. She bagged it. Later she boasted all over town that she had got her buck, and ridiculed me as the mighty hunter who brought back nothing. She promptly became an ex-girl friend.

The wise gal leaves the bragging to the men, and lets her own performance speak for itself. But I don't think a woman needs to hold herself back-perform below her capacity—to avoid offense to the touchy sex. In fact, such an action is a serious insult from man or woman if the victim suspects it.

Suppose a wife won't try hunting or fishing? or tries them honestly, and dislikes them? Above all, she should not sulk. Either don't go, or make the best

Chaplain's Corner

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**Department Chaplain of New Jersey** 

We beseech Thee to hear us, Good Lord, that it may please Thee to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord; that Thou wouldst comfort and help the weak-hearted; and raise up those who have fallen; and show Thy pity upon all captives, more especially those held behind the Iron Curtain.

That Thou wouldst stretch forth, we pray Thee, Thine almighty arm to strengthen and protect the servicemen and women of our country. Support them in the day of battle and in time of peace keep them safe from all evil, endue them with courage and loyalty, and grant that in all things they may serve without reproach.

That it would please Thee forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers and to turn their hearts to the right. And at the same time, to give us true repentance and forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the Grace of Thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to Thy Holy Word.

Word, a

of it. The urge to get outdoors is as deep and strong for the average sedentary American man as is the urge of waterfowl to migrate; yet for the sake of his family, he lives in a narrow, monotonous rut. Let him go back to the primitive pastimes which revitalize nerves harried by our tense civilization. There are some nine million widows in America, and it's better to be a hunting or fishing or boating widow than the other kind.

The worst thing a husband can do is to coax his wife to come along when she can't endure the sport. Unless her participation is voluntary, it won't work out well for either. One gal I know snorted, "Why, my husband would squeeze me into his duckboat on cold mornings and row into the reeds. My first husband, that was. I'm married now to a man who doesn't like ducks even as an entree." Yet you do not have to abandon your favorite sport. The answer is to help your wife find a compensating interest of her own. Even when their man does go on a conventional vacation with them, many wives feel that he does it grudgingly-that he'd rather be off hunting or fishing. It's a danger sign when a wife feels this way. Married couples can easily get so dependent upon one another's company that the zest and sparkle of their marriage becomes smothered. A good husband will try to keep his wife from sitting resentfully home when he goes afield. Let her take a vacation, too -a separate one which will give her as much news to tell you when you come home as you have for her. She may even come to welcome your trips with the

The real solution to the problem can be expressed in three single cautions:

Husbands: Is your devotion to your favorite sport causing you to exclude your family from your life? If it is, you are being unfair. Try to get them to share some of your time afield, or save some of your free time for them at home.

Wives: Psychologists say that a man may lose himself in sports as an attempted escape from a nagging, dominating, or constantly complaining wife. Make sure this isn't part of your problem.

Husbands and wives: In all human relationships, both sides must give a little and take a little. If the wife shares the outdoor interests of her husband, there is no headache. If she does not, the best answer lies in a single word—a word that's very popular in the world of men—one they apply in the field, in the stream, on the water. They demand it of their sports competitors and of their favorite teams, It applies to women, too, and in the home as well as outdoors.

The word is "sportsmanship."

THE END



# of special interest to Legionnaires THE OLD MAN AND THE SEA

SURE candidate for an Academy Award for 1958 will be Spencer - Fracy's role in the screen adaptation of Ernest Hemingway's The Old Man and the Sea. There will probably be other citations for photography and direction, but it is Tracy's portrayal of an old Cuban fisherman's fight for survival that makes this a great motion picture.

The story is a simple one, and only three

the courage of a man against great odds. For those who have not read the book and who are accustomed to the usual "happy" Hollywood ending, the finale of

this picture will be a surprise. Those who have read the story will be happy to know that it follows the book closely.

The Old Man and the Sea was made largely on location in Cuba, and the backgrounds of a small fishing village and the



A poor fisherman's shack is the background as Spencer Tracy, the old man, sets out for another day's fishing with his friend, played by Felipe Pazos.

actors are needed to tell it. Tracy is an old fisherman whose luck has apparently run out. It's been so long since he caught a fish that his food is supplied by a young boy, Felipe Pazos, who begs it for him from a restaurant. Harry Bellaver plays the restaurant proprietor.

There will probably be as many interpretations of this Hemingway novel in coming years as there are of Herman Melville's Moby Dick. In essence, however, The Old Man and the Sea is the story of man's physical courage and faith. It is told through the medium of a man so insignificant that he does not even have a name but is merely "the old man."

The old man goes out to sca in his small boat to try his luck once more. For a while it seems as though his fortune has changed when he hooks a big marlin. It is his three-day fight with the giant fish that makes the story and illustrates graphically

blue Caribbean add to the realism of the movie. Strikingly photographed in Warnercolor, and well directed, this film can well be one answer to complaints that Hollywood can't make a sensitive and realistic film to match the recent European products.

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to press reports, seven youths were arrested. They allegedly were "among 50 to 75 youths who had assembled in the park to watch the girl gangs fight it out. Police said they came in 15 cars. Two of the cars were loaded with girls."

How far has this "civilized" world progressed from the bloody spectacles of ancient Rome? And what kind of citizenship can we expect from children reared by such future parents.

I am constantly being asked two things: why am I so interested in the problem of juvenile crime? and what are my suggestions for an effective solution? I can speak from one point of view only. I am a law enforcement officer, and I have seen the funnel-shaped cloud of crime grow year by year and gather in intensity and destructive force to the point that it is an active threat to the soundness of the Nation. And year by year I have seen the force of that threat increased and strengthened by a swelling stream of youngsters who appear to move almost inexorably from delinquent behavior to criminal activity.

We in the FBI arc in a unique position to observe the criminal and to survey the background which led to his implication in a life of crime. It is on the basis of this experience and this observation that I draw my conclusions regarding the growing problem of youth in crime and the tragic implications inherent for the future.

What is at the root of the juvenile crime problem? I believe that this problem is the result of an abdication of authority in many areas, foremost of which is the home. Recently a distinguished jurist expressed his opinion in a

forthright article on this subject. He held that relinquishment by the father of his rightful place as head of the household is a basic cause of delinquency in this country. I agree wholeheartedly with this position. In addition, we Americans have allowed the word "discipline" to fall into bad repute both in the home and in the school. For too long we have listened to the apostles of anarchy label any mention of that good, sturdy word with the brand of brutality.

To me, discipline is the reasonable concept set forth in Webster's — "training which corrects, molds, strengthens or perfects." It does not mean punishment for the sake of punishment, but rather a "rule or system of rules affecting conduct or action."

Human beings need rules to live by — children as well as adults. The small child, incapable of making proper decisions, needs — and wants — a boundary line of rules which are clear-cut and definite. A world without moral and legal disciplines becomes a jungle of anarchy, whether it is an adult or a juvenile world. A child should have all reasonable freedom within specific bounds, but he should be taught from babyhood that when he steps beyond the bounds swift but fair punishment — discipline, if you will — is certain to follow.

I am fully aware of the reaction which that statement will arouse among the cultists who scream "brutality" whenever they hear the word "discipline." These are among the persons who, when parental recourse to the woodshed is mentioned, conjure up a lurid picture of a return to the whipping post. I most certainly do not advocate brutal or harsh

treatment of juveniles, and I believe that the "woodshed" method can all too easily be overdone by insensitive individuals. But despite the fact that the administration of physical punishment is admittedly painful to both parent and child, I am convinced that there are instances in which it can be applied most profitably.

Parental authority — particularly paternal authority — established at the outset and backed by sound parental example is the only firm basis for mutual respect and understanding between parent and child at any age. The abdication of parental responsibility in some form is an almost inevitable prelude to juvenile misbehavior. The discipline imposed by parental responsibility is often shrugged off too lightly.

Nor do the disciplines to which I refer touch only parent and child. A certain amount of discipline is essential throughout a free society if that society is to retain its freedom. A disciplined army wins battles. An undisciplined army becomes a mob. I know that the effectiveness of the FBI as an investigative agency is dependent to a large degree upon the maintenance of essential disciplines. We have found that discipline of the proper kind breeds efficiency and efficiency breeds pride in achievement. This compensates for disciplinary restrictions.

The young child, in particular, needs the clear lines drawn by discipline. Each child seeks recognition in differing ways, and the one who lacks loving care, affection, and attention may break a window and get "attention" in the form of punnishment. But the child in the normal home wants to know what is acceptable. Hc appreciates discipline and he respects the enforcer of reasonable discipline. He nceds to know why he receives a reward or why he is being punished. The properly disciplined child is the happy child. The one who gropes his way through childhood by a constantly changing set of rules incscapably becomes confused and rebellious. Youngsters who have love, understanding, and adequate discipline in a poverty-ridden home are far less "underprivileged" than those who may be surrounded by material wealth but who lack affection, understanding, and discipline.

Again, when I speak of discipline, I am not referring to it as punishment, but rather as training. We dare not ignore the element of the spiritual in training the child to recognize the difference between right and wrong and in helping him develop a desire to do that which is right. Discipline should be developed with that end in view. And here, when I refer to "right," I speak of that which is based on the moral law set forth in



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the Bible. Parents are eager to give freely of material gifts to their children. They should be even more generous in giving as well those things which are of inestimable value - standards, principles, and discipline.

Today we are witnessing the painful results of the relaxation of mental diseiplines in seores of intelligent, normal youngsters. Given freedom of ehoice too many youngsters take the easy courses, the easy work, the line of least resistanee. We put too great a burden on the undeveloped ehild when we demand that he must exercise adult judgment in



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making decisions as to what courses he should and will study. The end result may be a ehild whose mind is allowed to atrophy through lack of a real educational challenge.

The relaxation of discipline both in the home and the school is all too apparent in an increasing lack of respect for authority, for the person, and for property.

In 1957 reports from 1,473 city police departments reflected 2,068,677 arrests for violations occurring within the reporting jurisdictions. Youths under 18 made up 12.3 percent of those arrests, and of those persons under 18 arrested 39 percent were not yet 15 years of age! In this study, youngsters under 18 represented 26.4 percent of those arrested for robbery, 54.8 perecnt of those arrested for burglary, 51.3 percent of those arrested for lareeny, and 67.6 perecnt of those arrested for auto theft.

This laek of respect for property on the part of a growing number of young people is paralleled by lack of respect for authority reflected in scores of headlines such as the following:

- "Teacher Knifed in Battle With Drinking Pupil."
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- "Flunked Student Kidnaps and Rapes Two Teaehers."
- "Boy, 15, Fires On Officers; 3 in Gang Held; 3 Escape."
- "3 Policemen Held at Bay by Teen-Ager."

Today the abdication of authority in areas of primary responsibility has ereated a police problem of appalling proportions. It has placed a frightening burden upon the individual officer whose primary task is keeping the peace, safety, order, and dignity of the community. For the sake of law-abiding citizens, the youthful lawbreaker must be eontrolled, and disciplines which were not instilled at an early age must be enforced by other means.

One of our basic problems has been a failure to differentiate between crime and misbehavior when the perpetrators are juvenile. This point was sharply set forth by a judge in the sentencing of two hitehhikers, ages 15 and 17. These teenagers had brutally mistreated a benefactor who offered them a ride. They had beaten him with a spark plug wreneh, made him disrobe, and foreed him into the trunk of his automobile.

The judge summed up the problem in sueeinct words.

"There is a need for clarification of thinking in the matter of juvenile delinquency and outright eriminal conduct by youngsters. When they commit a major erime, they are out of the juvenile elass. These are fullfledged eriminals and are going to be treated as such."

I believe that the problem of the juvenile lawbreaker is one of the most difficult operational problems confronting law enforcement. What do you do when an unpredictable, frightened teenager is frozen to the wheel of a stolen, speeding, high-powered auto? Or when an arrogant, hate-filled, doped or drunken voungster, armed with knife or gun, stands threateningly at bay? How is one to deal with a youth whose attitude toward authority is summed up in the words tattoocd on his body: "Born to hate eops"?

How many of these youthful offenders are eriminals now as the result of lack of discipline in the home which taught them that they eould "get by" again and again? And one wonders how many are eriminals as the result of repeated eourtroom lenieney which advises the recipient as plainly as words, "They can't do anything to you. You're a juvenile!"

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havior patterns. The father who satisfies his child's every whim because he has no time to share with the youngster may be shocked to find that his son is growing up with an antipathy to work, has little sense of responsibility, and chooses to avoid issues. The child who is given everything, who has never had to work and who has never had to face the reality of meeting and overcoming problems is at a very real disadvantage.

A father may be shocked at the lethargic, "so what" or "that's how the cookie crumbles" attitude displayed by his son, but the father who indulges in a little honest analysis may find himself, in part, responsible. Unhappily, in the sensitive world of the adolescent, one cannot be sure of "attitudes." Some of them are as they appear; some simply may be the facade masking the pains of growing up. But it is when society is confronted by the attitude combining a total lack of discipline with a total lack of responsibility that real trouble flares in the form of violence against person and property. Then we read of armed robberies, car thefts, attacks, and murders.

Where are we at fault? We can answer that question by asking ourselves what we have done to bankrupt the merchants of filth whose under-thecounter stock is the nauseating product of perverted minds. What have we done to halt the traffic in unspeakable portrayals of degeneracy on film, on decks of cards, and in so-called "comic' books? And what have we done to dam the flood of twilight zone material vulgar and degrading trash - inundating so many newsstands across the Nation? Have we sought to bring to light the forces behind the "package deals" which compel the retailer to accept undesirable material in order for him to secure worthwhile printed matter?

We might ask ourselves also what action we have taken when we have noted instances glorifying crime and the criminal on movie or television screens. With violence enthroned and with blatant sex flaunted openly across billboards, theater marquees, and newsstands, is there not, perhaps, reason for the increase in delinquency? When visible standards are allowed to sink to gutter levels, how can we expect our youth to be impervious to adult exploiters dealing in obscenity, narcotics, and violence?

What can the Legion Post do? Or the individual Legionnaire? Your organization presently is performing yeoman service for youth through the splendid programs set up by your National Americanism Commission. You should back those programs to the hilt, for they touch at the roots - the home, the church, the school, and the community. Legion sponsorship of the National High

School Oratorical Contest, Boys States and Boys Nation, Boy Scout activities, and Legion Junior Baseball, among other activities, rates high, for these measurcs are calculated to prevent delinquency. So does the attitude which puts The American Legion behind the Back to God movement and in the forefront of the fight to put the words "under God" in our Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag. These arc positive, and an intensification of effort along such lines, whether by the Legion Post or the individual, cannot have other than a salutary effect. Naturally, the specific juvenile problems of each area



"I wanted to tell Mrs. Cummings that I had a good time, but they put her to bed." AMERICAN LEGION MAGAZINE

differ, and appropriate action can follow only when the definite need has been ascertained. The final answer, of course, lies in a renewed adherence to moral standards. The rule of tooth and claw must not be allowed to fix itself upon the scenc.

Just how far have we drifted back along the road to barbarism? One hundred years ago - on January 6, 1858 a prominent newspaper in the Nation's capital, under the heading "Rude Boys," sternly rebuked a group of youths for misbehaving. What, in that age of Victorian discipline, constituted delinquent behavior which could cvoke press comment? Two country boys wearing newly purchased shawls were annoyed by a group of city youths who followed after them shouting, "Indians!" and executing a mock war dance.

What constitutes teen-age misbehavior today — one hundred years later? Theft, assault, and murder.

In the face of an increasing torrent of crime, we Americans must consider the question and make a choice - discipline or barbarism. THE END (Continued from page 19)-

nothing more than a battle against boredom.

If you doubt this, just recall the morning (perhaps this morning) when you bounced out of bed at the first clang of the alarm clock. Refreshed from a good night's sleep and refueled with a hearty breakfast, you were rarin' to go, when, all at once, you remembered some uninspiring assignment you had to do when you got to work that day. Suddenly you became listless, disinterested, "tired." From that moment until the unpleasant job had been hurdled, you struggled against the resistance of indifference. What you blamed as "fatigue" was really a mental inertia nurtured from your anticipation of boredom,

Quite probably, as you contemplated this monotonous task, your mind was concocting all sorts of excuses why you should not have to do the job and devising ways to avoid it. You seized every opportunity with lesser jobs in hopes of indefinitely deferring the main issue. Perhaps a little self-pity worked its way into your reasoning, too. Relieve yourself on one count, though. Your motives were no different from anyone else's. It's human nature. Strangely, however, this mental resisting process we often experience actually takes more time than doing the dreaded job itself. And it is equally curious how frequently a job unenthusiastically anticipated will prove surprisingly interesting and absorbing.

Soon after our monotonous task has commenced, the big dodge is on, Like Univac, our mental machinery begins whirring in a frantic attempt to find a formula for escape. Any break in the

grind will do, we readily concede.

Our instinctive rebellion to monotony started early in life. Don't you remember those school days when the bell rang for fire drills? What a treat it was to assemble on the playground. The kids bubbled with excited chatter. It was different. It was a break in routine. Just those few fleeting minutes were enough to dispel temporarily the humdrum of classwork. You returned to your desk refreshed.

We are not much different today. We may have developed a little more mental callus to help us overcome boredom, perhaps, and a maturer realization that the job must be done, but we're still looking for that "fire drill," that excuse for a change in routine.

A classic example is the coffee break so popular among industrial and office workers. Caffeine may provide some stimulus, but the real pepper-upper is the change in routine this "recess" affords. The practice is widely accepted and highly successful. Work production and efficiency are greater in spite of the time lost by the break. Studies prove it. But the coffee break is a relief from boredom, not a rest for fatigue.

During the industrial push of the last war, industry piped music through its plants to ease the monotony of long hours behind droning machines. The strains of a familiar tune or the catchy lyrics of one of the top ten tunes served as an effective distraction from the dragging sameness of the job at hand. It's standard procedure today, even in offices.

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ironing, they steel themselves for the ordeal by tuning the radio to the local disc jockey and putting the coffee on to brew. These friendly distractions, together with intermittent phone calls to the neighbors, see them through an otherwise monotonous day.

When your "fatigue" can be made to vanish by a little excitement, a change of routine or a new interest, you're really not tired at all — you're borcd.

How often at quitting time has a new spring come to your step as you started homeward? Surely, you can recall also how quickly your "fatigue" disappeared after a "tiring" day's work when you found you had been asked to a dance that night or to bowl with the boys.

You can feel "exthausted," if you want to, even before your relatives arrive for the holidays; "tired," if you wish, from the idea of spending an evening with your in-laws. There are a thousand and one different situations which invite mental inertia. Chose whichever you will, but you are only seeking an excuse to evade an uninspiring issue.

This so-called mental fatigue is stealing a lot of happiness from the lives of millions. Convinced that the cause is an organic one, many seek medical advice for a condition which only they themselves can cure. There are no wonder drugs for their boredom, no special prescriptions for their inertia. The solution is squarely in their hands.

If you're one of the many plagued with the "fatigue" of boredom, you can, if you really want to, regain a zest for living if you'll follow a few simple steps.

First, *forget* about your "fatigue." Stop excusing it on the grounds of overwork. Mental "fatigue" is not caused by

work at all but rather by your attitude toward it. With the wrong attitude you could even get tired as a mattress tester!

If you are faced with a job you dislike or find boring, ask yourself why you must do it, why you don't want to do it. When you understand its purpose, you'll find that you are more willing to do the job. Take, for instance, the man on the



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production line who does nothing but tighten the same bolt on automobiles all day long, day in and day out. Monotonous, of course. Yet the safety of countless lives depends on that important bolt being tight. He knows that, and has set himself up as a kind of one-man

national safety committee. He is proud that inspection has never found one bolt poorly set.

Boredom is a form of tension. Occasional changes in routine are effective in relieving it. New interests and recreation provide this diversification. We must realize that many situations cannot be changed. Fretting neither alters them nor helps us. Learning to live happily with them is the secret to peace of mind.

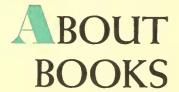
Physical and mental fitness go hand in hand. Although false mental "fatigue" exercises little direct influence on our organic functioning, its indirect effects can be significant. Boredom breeds poor living habits. If you smoke, you smoke more, not from the pleasure derived, but because the action distracts you from boredom. It is much the same with eating. When you're bored, you eat more between-meal snacks, nibble more on candy, drink more coffee. Soon excess pounds hang heavily on you, inviting the more serious heart disease and diabetes which result from overweight.

What's more, because we're bored, we're "tired," too "exhausted" for exercise or recreation. We become inactive. Our bodies lose "muscle tone," grow flabby. Our resistance to infection is lowered and we become prime candidates for diseases, all sorts of diseases.

Our world today is a competitive onc. Individuals, corporations, and nations are all competing for strength and position. From any standpoint, none of us can allow ourselves to wallow in a slough of mental inertia. The price of the lullaby of boredom is too high. We simply cannot afford all this mental "fatigue" we're complaining so much about.

THE END

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# THEY PLAY ON COMPANY TIME

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said one day last winter. "By the time I got through, I couldn't lift my arms. But it was worth it. Anything we can do to keep our people happy is worth while. We have a happy group of employees here, and we want them to stay that way. The happier they are, the more they'll produce.'

In Boston, Gillette Company executives feel the same way. They have all sorts of employee benefits, but the Canobie Lake party is everyone's big moment. The firm takes over the entire amusement park for the day, transports about 7,000 people – employees and their families - from Boston to Salem, N.H., in 40 railroad cars, then gets them to Canobie Lake in 20 buses.

But this is only one of many extracurricular activities for Gillette's 2,000 Boston employees. The company purchases two season boxes for Boston Red Sox ball games, and gives them out to employees whose names are drawn from the "Lucky Barrel." Everyone in the plant signs up, the names are put into a barrel, and the drawing takes place in the cafeteria at lunch time. The lucky winners not only get to see a ball game, but often get paid for it, since they are given the afternoon off for day games.

Gillette owns and maintains its own softball field, adjacent to the plant. It supplies caps, jerseys, and equipment for a dozen teams in two leagues. It also sponsors a girls team, which plays games against outside industrial teams.

"Does the company find it worth while?" repeated Paul Davis, Gillette's vice president of industrial relations, in answer to a question by the writer, "I know it does. Whatever the event, our people go all out for it. If they didn't if the enthusiasm and interest weren't there - we wouldn't have a program; there'd be no sense to it. But as long as our employees enjoy the competition of our sports events – and the relaxation of other planned activities - then we know we're on solid ground.

"I'm sure this has contributed to the esprit de corps we find in our Gillette family, the willingness of everybody to pitch in and do his job and do it well. And, by giving us an additional opportunity to know each other better, it strengthens our team on the business

The Eastman Kodak recreation center in Rochester, N.Y., will be a showplace. Employees will be able to enjoy a swimming pool, 20 bowling alleys, and 40 darkrooms. In addition, there will be a 2,300-seat auditorium and special rooms for retired employees.

Bowling is far and away the most popular sport in industry, because it's inexpensive, casily available almost everywhere, can be indulged in by people of practically all ages, and is conducive to friendly rivalry.

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ness is the industrial league," said George Binen, who operates the huge Huntington Alleys in Boston. "Seventyfive percent of the people who bowl are members of company teams or leagues. Over 300,00 go regularly to the 6,000 alleys in New England, and a quarter of a million of these are in some kind of organized industrial league."

A few companies pick up the entire check for their employees' bowling, but, in most cases, employees expect to pay for their own. However, almost every company offers prizes and gives some sort of a champions banquet at the close of the scason. More money is spent by employees and companies alike on bowling than on any other sport,

At Minneapolis-Honeywell, where employees have their choice of at least 20 sports (including cricket in the British division), the bowling program costs the company nearly \$35,000 a year. Twenty leagues operate during the season. Other companies have bowling programs on a scale nearly as large.

North American Aviation in Los Angeles has three ski clubs with more than 100 members. They have a complete winter schedule of activities, most of which are confined to weekends in the nearby California mountains.

The New York office of Socony Mobil Oil sponsors a winter sports weekend in the Pocono Mountains of Pennsylvania every year. At a minimum cost (with the company paying for any unexpected additional expenses) most of the employees get aboard a Lackawanna train in Hoboken and head for the hills.

One of the least expensive golf clubs in America - from the standpoint of membership fees - is owned by Allis-Chalmers in Milwaukee. The company purchased an 18-hole layout for its employees in 1955, and more than 1,000 of them pay only a token fee for family memberships. They enjoy all the advantages of an exclusive country club without worrying about such disadvantages as assessments and increased fees.

According to the N.I.R.A., at least half the companies with employees recreational programs employ either a full-time or part-time recreation director. More than half have their own facilities, some not only adequate but elaborate in scope.

Ford's River Rouge plant in Michigan, for example, has a huge recreation building which houses a lounge and fullsize basketball court. In the Detroit area Ford has a baseball diamond and 25 softball diamonds. Ten of these – two of them lighted - are near the Rouge plant. In addition, there is a rented gun range near the Highland Park plant, and public tennis courts are used on a scheduled basis.

Bell and Howell's employee conven-

# Products Parade

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must, of course, be lowered in a carton or other container.

Another item for the owner of an electric drill is an automatic storage case which produces the size drill you want when you twist the dial top. Called Dial-A-Drill, it holds a complete set of 29 drills from 1/16 to ½ inch by 64ths. All sizes are clearly stamped on the case along with tap drill, body drill, thread tap, and decimal sizes. It is available from Keystone Ferrule and Nut Company, Box 11, Burlington, Wis, and sells for \$4.50 postpaid.

Electricity is harnessed to do another job with a device called a Pre-Tuned Vibra-Plate, made by Power Tools, Inc., Beloit, Wis. Attached to bed or sofa, it vibrates the entire body at one time, providing massage action which stimulates circulation without strain. The price is \$39.95.

A sturdy utility glove which can be changed from one hand to the other has been announced by Morris Manufacturing Company, Box 308, Newbern, Tenn, The newly invented 2-in-1 glove has an adjusting strap which makes the changeover possible. The retail price is \$2.98 a pair.

A veritable first aid kit for broken things is being introduced by Permacel-LePage in a Fix-It-Kit that provides an assortment of nine different adhesives, glues, cements, solders, and tapes. These items are packaged in a chrome-wire rack which can be conveniently placed on a peg-board or wall. It will be available in hardware, variety, stationery, and drug stores at \$3.99.

A lightweight bat, weighing only a halfpound, and a matched one-ounce ball, permit children to play ball without danger of injury. The Safe-T-Bat and Fun Ball are made with lightweight Grex plastic by Cosom Industries, Inc., 6012 Wayzata Blvd., Minneapolis, Minn., and will be sold in hardware and sporting goods stores at

Nylon is used to make new featherweight sunglasses whose frames are 25 percent lighter than conventional types. The nylon sunglasses have six-base ground and polished lenses and sell for \$4.95. The manufacturer is the Foster Grant Company, Leominster, Mass.

With this issue we conclude Products Parade. In its place next month we will inaugurate a new feature, THE AMERI-CAN LEGION SHOPPER. Watch for it.

ienees include a field-house and a base-ball diamond with lights and bleachers. Riegel Paper Company, of Milford, N.J., has a beautiful plant that houses, among other things, a gymnasium, auditorium, bowling alleys, pool tables, and even a rent-free apartment for the recreation director. The company recently built a bathhouse for its swimming pool at a cost of more than \$30,000.

Ethyl Reereation Association spent \$55,000 on a swimming pool for its Baton Rouge members a couple of years ago. Deleo-Remy has a 210-aere recreation area just outside of Anderson, Ind., where, eventually, it will build tennis eourts, a trap-shooting range, a golf range, softball diamonds, and other facilities for employees and members of their families.

But the nation's employees don't enjoy themselves on company time by sports alone.

Among the many company-sponsored activities at Abbott Laboratories is an art elub. One of its members, Stanley G. Boberg, 61-year-old credit manager, just received the blue ribbon award among 343 entries at the Town and Country Art Show at the University of Illinois. Last year he competed for honors in the Chicago Artists Exhibition with two oil paintings. Art club members receive professional guidance, and the company foots the bill for an instructor.

Several bingo parties for all employees are held each year at Abbott's. The company gives away Cornish hens, African violet planters, hams, candies, eanned fruit, sporting goods.

At Bell and Howell in Chicago there is a flying club which meets regularly at Chicagoland Airport. The company also boasts a 50-voice mixed choral group which performs at all company functions.

Allis-Chalmers, besides its golf eourse, sponsors a wide variety of sports for its employees. It also sponsors, among other things, an orehestra, a mixed ehorus, a girls elub, a ehess elub, a stamp elub, a sketch elub, a flying elub, a millinery class, a eamera elub, and even a toastmasters club.

The company also has a Retired Employees Recreation Club of nearly 700 members. It meets twice weekly in all but the summer months to watch movies and travelogs, and listen to talks on wills, pensions, health, Social Security, and other subjects of interest to oldsters.

Hiram Walker and Sons of Peoria, Ill., is also deeply interested in the welfare of its employees who are approaching retirement age and aren't quite sure what they're going to do with all their new-found leisure time. There are talks on travel, musie, reading, church affiliations, pienics, the maintenance of close family ties with the younger generation,

and anything else pertaining to possible future problems. There is a Senior Citizens Club at West Point Manufacturing Company of West Point, Ga., which does much the same thing for its people of advanced years.

Dramaties and music receive a generous portion of attention, thanks to the sponsorship of artistic-minded company recreation directors. At Shell Oil there's a company playhouse which organizes and stages amateur theatrieals, often giving original shows written by members. The company is generous in time off for rehearsals, while nonparticipating employees sometimes watch the shows on company time.

International Business Machines eneourages music of all types in its various plants. At one I.B.M. factory or another, there are choral groups, bands, orchestras, and ensembles, all of which give a total of more than 150 performances a year. Charles Pfizer and Co., Brooklyn drug and chemical concern, has a fine choral group, with a paid director. The company also provides facilities for a pistol club at Groton, Conn.

C.I.T., the automobile finance company. has an annual dramatic show, produced, directed, and acted by employees. They don't always confine themselves to the entertainment of other employees. In 1955 they staged, with considerable success, Noel Coward's *Blithe Spirit* in a New York hotel.

In Indianapolis Vonnegut Hardware has a 40-piece concert band which practices regularly for public performances — on company time. In Detroit the Chrysler Corporation has since 1935 sponsored a bagpipe band, the High-

landers. Their authentic uniforms, in the Royal Stuart tartan, are imported from Scotland by the corporation.

Travel clubs, unheard of until a few years ago, have sprung up among employees of big companies all over the nation. There are now more than 1,000 operating, with the result that assembly-line workers are broadening their horizons. Instead of taking the family to the nearest mountain, lake, or seashore resort for a couple of weeks' vacation, factory workers are now making the world their play area.

Their tours are arranged by the company through a travel agency. They pay such a low group rate that they can afford the trip without undue strain. At Ford the employees can take advantage of annual tours to Hawaii or Europe. A General Motors executive recently said, "There is seldom a month when we don't have somebody on a European vacation."

The robber barons would probably turn over in their graves. They never dreamed the day would come when once-despised day laborers would be enjoying the same pleasures they enjoyed themselves.

Sports and recreation for industrial employees is not a flash in the pan; it's here to stay. The billion-dollar price that industry now pays may be doubled in ten years.

"The increase in morale, production and profits makes it worth almost any price," says Hubert Greist. "We've felt that way for years, and we'll never change."

Neither, in all probability, will anyone else in industry. THE END





#### Sad Sacks

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From slip to topper,
Anything fitting
Is no longer proper. —

-SUZANNE DOUGLASS



"It's true all right! They've never been as high as \$29.95 before."

#### Look Ont!

Then there was the fellow from way back in the hills who died upon seeing his first automobile — he didn't see it soon enough.

—IACK HERBERT

# One View

A Californian was explaining that his State had never known bad times, "But surely you felt the great depression of the 1930's," someone spoke up.

"No, we didn't," stated the Californian. "However, we did enjoy one of the poorest booms we'd ever known."

—Harold Helfer

### Won By A Nose

A rose by another name— Leave off the arguments— Would smell the same; So let's talk scents.

-Anna Nash Yarbrough

#### For Medicinal Purposes Only

Shortly after the new doctor established his practice in the neighborhood, a society matron decided to invite him to dinner. She indicated "R.S.V.P." on her invitation, but received a totally unintelligible note in reply.

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-Т. & J. GOOTEE

# Expert Testimony

I can't be rated the boresome kind
Becanse, after frequent testing,
Whenever I talk to myself, I find
I am awfully interesting.
—HOWARD WINLEY

# A Bird In Hand

All it takes to feather your nest these days is a little down.

—AL Spong

### Saving Interest

A burglar's wife was badgering him for money. "Okay, okay, stop nagging," grumbled the man. "I'll get you some as soon as the bank eloses!"

-LAMBERT MEYER

#### When A Lot Is Not A Lot

In the tract of today
All too often the pinch is
That the yard between houses
Is thirty-six inches. —Richard Armour

## 100 Proof?

A man about town had some physical symptoms that were alarming enough to take him to a doctor for a medical eheek-up. Since he had always been afraid of doctors, he stopped at a nearby tavern to fortify himself against anything that might happen. He then went to the doctor's of-

fice and had the examination. When it was over, he asked eagerly:

"What do my reports show, doetor?"
"According to our analysis," replied th

"According to our analysis," replied the doctor, "there is every indication that a small percentage of blood is getting into your alcohol system."

—Dan Bennett

# Bookkeeping

Living on a budget is the same as living beyond your means except that you have a record of it.

—Carl Ellstam

# Fond Memory

A woman who quickly and freely forgives Is a joy for the trouble she'll save you. But experience reveals that as long as she lives

She will never forget she forgave you.

-LEE Ross

### Self-Defense

The head nurse of the hospital eame into the room and found the student nurse holding both wrists of the young male parient.

"You don't have to hold both wrists to eheek the pulse," upbraided the head nurse.

"I'm not holding both his wrists to check his pulse," the pert little student replied, "I'm holding them to check his impulses." —Bill Dye

# Thought While Checking Out

If I should be alive at ninety-seven,
I'll still have this conviction, and a strong
one:

If several lines are formed to enter heaven,
There is no doubt I'll end up in the
long one!

— Jean Mergard



"I was half done before I realized it's Sunday."

# "He Made Me Feel Like A Bride Again"

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When Jim finally went to our family doctor, the examination proved there was nothing really wrong. The doctor said Jim's condition was merely caused by an easily corrected nutritianal deficiency in his diet. You can imagine how shocked I was to discover that even though Jim was well-fed, he was actually poorly nourished due to a lack of vitamins, minerals and lipotropic factors.

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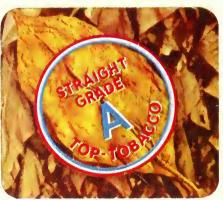


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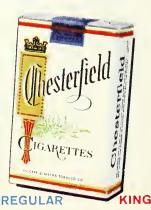


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